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## CRIME STRIKES CLOVE APARTMENTS

### Student awakes to sexual assault

By Kara Richardson  
Managing Editor

A female Clove Road Apartment resident was sexually assaulted by a man who climbed into her bedroom window early Tuesday morning last week. With a sexual predator on the loose, high ranking MSU administrators admit they could have alerted the campus in a more timely fashion.

A man described as an African-American male, mid 20s, medium build and approximately 5'9 in height entered her first floor apartment at 3:18 a.m. according to MSU Police.

The victim of the sexual assault said that she awoke to a strange man touching her leg. As he continued to touch her and tried to climb on her, she retreated back in fear. Finally, the man scurried out of the apartment and fled on foot.

She tried to call Campus Police immediately but a phone was off the hook in another room, making it impossible to call out for help. One of her roommates, who was sleeping in the next room, discovered \$50 missing from her wallet.

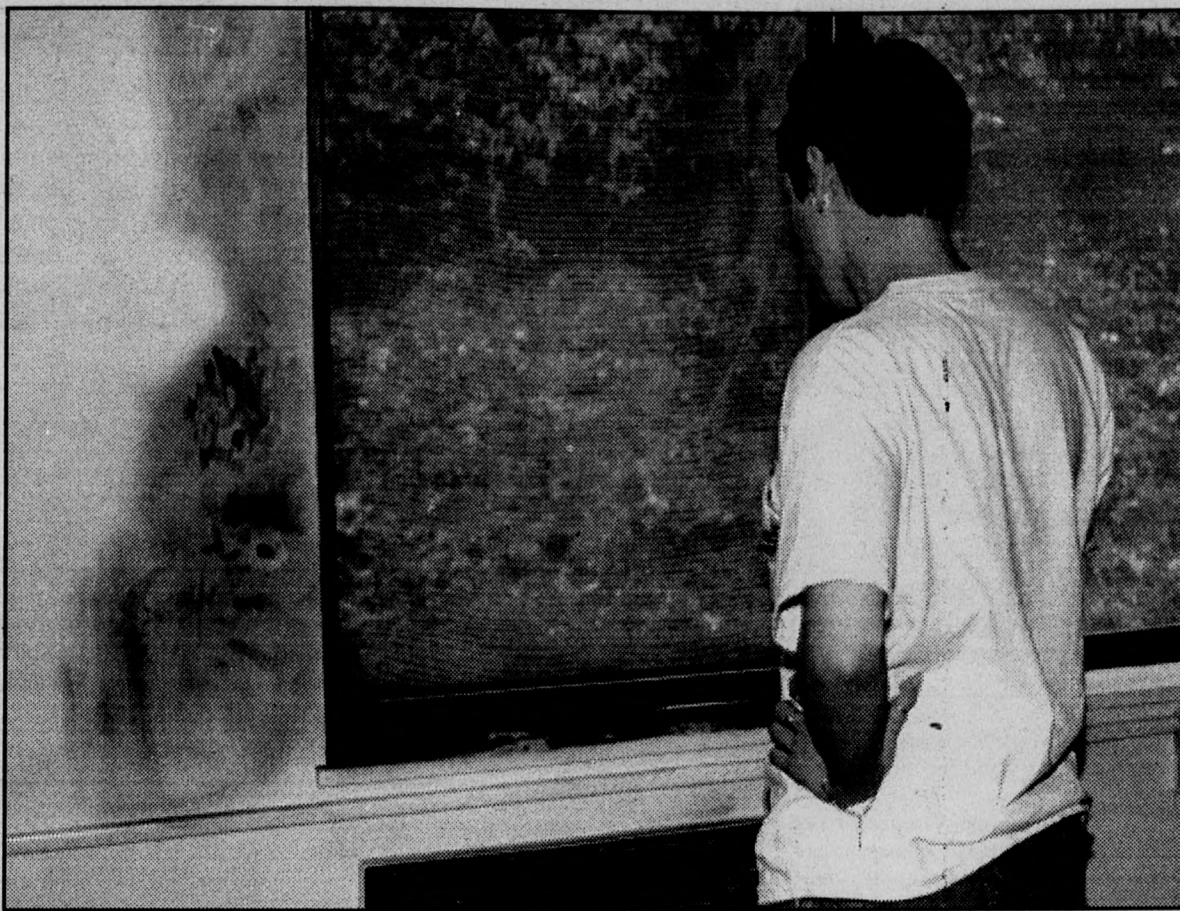
"This guy seemed to know what he was doing," the victim said. "It is scary."

According to the Director of Campus Safety and Security Philip Calitre, an email was sent out to the campus community the day after the incident.

Many students said they did not receive an email on Tuesday.

Flyers were not posted and safety meetings did not occur un-

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JENN WINSKI/ MONTCLARION

**FINGERPRINTS:** Miranda (not her real name) peers outside from the window the assailant entered from early Tuesday morning. The perpetrator's freshly dusted fingerprints remain to her left.

### Assault victim recalls nightmare

While the victim of last Monday's sexual assault wanted to remain anonymous, she wanted to let the campus to know her story.

By Kara L. Richardson  
Managing Editor

Miranda awoke to cold hands on her leg. A body was creeping up her bed from beneath her covers. In her groggy state, she thought her boyfriend was making a surprise visit.

As the man's torso was completely on the bed, he tried to climb on top of her. After she was aware that it was not her boyfriend, she began squirming toward the wall in fear.

Taken with fear, she did not scream.

"What are you doing?" she said, trying not to panic.

"I want to lick your pussy," was all he said.

She struggled, whisking away his advancing hands into her shorts.

As she struggled more, the man got up quickly and ran for the door.

"He looked like a trapped animal, not knowing

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CAMPUS POLICE SKETCH

**WANTED:** If you have seen the African-American male - mid 20s, medium build, approximately 5'9 - pictured above, call campus police at 655-5222.

## Arming campus cops discussed after robbery

By Dan Lombardi  
Staff Writer

Arming campus police is under consideration, after the sexual assault and the armed robbery this week. The two crimes occurred within 48 hours at the 303 Clove Road Apartment section.

Campus police should be better equipped even if it includes guns, Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life Karen Pennington said.

"It is not my responsibility to do this [give cops guns]," said Pennington. "If the community decided it was necessary then it would be done."

Campus police are armed with nightsticks and pepper spray.

"The campus police are trained the same way all police are, they even go through police academy," said Dean of Student Life, Helen Matusow-Ayres.

"Properly trained police should have weapons available to them to

protect themselves," said Matusow-Ayres.

Before the break-in and sexual assault on Tuesday, one security guard was assigned to patrol the area. The day after the assault, one guard remained to patrol the area.

After the armed robbery took place, the administration held meetings for Clove residents to voice their concerns, made counseling readily available, and removed the lone security guard and placed two police officers on pa-

trol at the apartments.

"One incident might not be enough to do it, but two certainly are," said Matusow-Ayres.

Some residents' suggestions, such as moving all the female students to apartments on higher floors, and installing security cameras are now being seriously considered, according to Matusow-Ayres.

"Next year, we probably won't be putting women on the first floor," said Matusow-Ayres.

### Shot fired in armed robbery

By Dan Lombardi  
Staff Writer

Masked gunmen forced their way into a Clove Road Apartment late Wednesday night. They locked the occupants in the bathroom, shot once, and left after stealing cash and other items.

"I got a phone call from the girls next door," said Mike Roberts [not his real name], one of the apartments' residents. "They said that some guys were ringing their doorbell but they didn't know them, and that it must have been for one of us."

Roberts said he went down to the Clove Road Apartment's 303 section front door and saw an unfamiliar man standing there.

After he opened the door, the stranger grabbed him by the throat and pushed him to the ground. Another perpetrator, wearing a ski mask, approached from the side and placed a revolver to his forehead.

The perpetrators forced Roberts up the stairs to his apartment where he knocked on his door. After his roommate opened the door, four or five other ski masked assailants, rushed in and started screaming. A few of them had guns, said Roberts, and one was carrying a car club.

The assailant locked the apartment resident in their bathroom.

"I just heard a lot of noise like they were tearing the place apart," said Roberts.

After some time locked in the bathroom the door was opened and one of the gunmen pulled one resident out, and quickly closed the door.

Roberts heard more rustling and then a gun shot rang out. Afterward, everything was momentarily silent.

"I thought they were gonna come in and do us one by one," said Roberts.

His roommate said that the gunmen had left and it was safe to emerge.

"We heard something, and someone said it sounded like a gunshot," said neighbor of the victims. "We didn't think it was anything until about an hour later when another student told us what happened."

The bullet was found lodged in a closet, and was recovered by

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## MSU POLICE REPORT

• **4/8** Female reports while on the 2nd floor of the library studying she observed a male seated opposite her masturbating. The library was closing, both victim and suspect left the building. Suspect description obtained.

• **4/10** Female Bohn Hall resident reports she returned to her car in lot 21 and discovered the windshield broken. Victim has been receiving harassing phone calls. A possible suspect was reported.

• **4/10** Female student reports she returned to her car in lot 21 and discovered her door lock and ignition switch damaged. Missing from the car was jewelry, a CD player, and other personal property. Car was towed to a repair facility.

• **4/13** Male Stone Hall resident reports someone poured urine under his room door.

• **4/13** Female Clove Road Apt. resident reported she was awoken by a male who had his hand in her shorts. She pushed him away and the male fled the apartment. Male entered through a rear window. A roommate had money stolen from her wallet. Investigation continues.

• **4/13** Female reported a male tried to engage her in conversation on the 2nd floor of the library. She noticed his pants were down and he was holding his penis. Victim screamed and the male fled the area.

• **4/15** Female reported that on 4/12, while on 2nd floor of the library studying, a male engaged her in conversation. She looked up and saw the

male fully exposed, masturbating. she ignored him and left the building.

• **4/15** A group of masked males entered a Clove Road apartment and stole money, jewelry, and a video game player at gunpoint. One shot was fired.

• **4/15** Male left his book bag with dining room staff upon entering the Freeman hall cafeteria. Upon leaving, his book bag was missing. The book bag was found in a garbage can in Freeman Hall with money missing.

• **4/16** Officers respond to Stone Hall on the report that a male who is persona non grata was in the building. Gabriel Garrido of Absecon was arrested and charged with Trespass.

• **4/16** Female student reports her mother has been harassing her since she moved out of her mother's home. She reported her mother tried to change her major, withheld several of her paychecks and had the car she was driving towed from campus. She was referred to the Passaic County Family Court.

• **4/16** Officers respond to a report of a fight at Blanton Hall. Upon arrival one male was being restrained by his friends. The male became violent and ran toward another male. Officers pursued and arrested Bruce Newton of East Orange. He was charged with disorderly conduct.

• **4/18** During a fire alarm at Freeman hall an officer observed numerous road signs in a 7th floor room. Investigation pending.

## SGA NEWS & NOTES

SGA News & Notes will not appear this issue. SGA News & Notes will return next issue.

## FOR THE RECORD

The Montclarion willingly corrects its factual errors. If you think that we have made a mistake in a story please call Editor-In-Chief, Kevin P. Hancock at 973-655-5230.

## NEWS

### WEEKEND WEATHER FORECAST

#### THURSDAY



Showers  
HI: 66° LO: 44°

#### FRIDAY



Rain  
HI: 55° LO: 45°

#### SATURDAY



Mostly Cloudy  
HI: 63° LO: 42°

#### SUNDAY



Partly Cloudy  
HI: 66° LO: 40°

## U.S. NEWS

### Argument over abortion doctor

(AP) — Demonstrators on both sides of the abortion issue shouted at each other in confrontation outside the clinic where Dr. Barnett Slepian worked before a sniper shot him to death.

The confrontation came on the third day of a planned week long series of demonstrations organized by Operation Save America to fight abortion, teen sex and child pornography.

About three dozen abortion opponents began their demonstration before 7 a.m. outside Buffalo GYN Womenservices, where a sign on the front door read "Our clinic remains open in honor of Dr.

Slepian."

Slepian, an abortion provider and frequent target of protests, was shot in October in his suburban home. Authorities are searching for an anti-abortion activist for questioning, and a prosecutor said Tuesday he expects the case to go to a grand jury next week.

### Defense shows killer's soft side

(AP) — The same jurors who concluded that Charles Ng was a vicious serial killer are now being asked to view him as a gentle philosopher and caring friend who deserves to escape execution.

In the final days of the pen-

alty phase, Ng's lawyers have presented a litany of testimonials to his good character from a parade of witnesses, some of whose roles have bordered on the downright bizarre.

It's no surprise that family members would talk of Ng's abused childhood in Hong Kong. But more than a dozen other witnesses called by Deputy Public Defender William Kelley threw yet another twist in a trial that has become one of California's longest and most expensive.

Some were upstanding citizens: former Marines, prison guards and a 66-year-old woman who was briefly Ng's lover. Together, they spoke of the 38-year-old defendant in almost reverential tones.

## WORLD NEWS

### India's rulers not ready to rule

(Reuters) — India's Congress party said on Tuesday it was still not in a position to form a government, 72 hours after it and other opposition groups brought down Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee's coalition.

"We are still talking to evolve our consensus," Sonia Gandhi, the Italian-born leader of Congress told reporters after a meeting with one of the key players in the delicate negotiations.

Congress wants to rule as a minority government with outside support from regional, caste-based and leftist parties with which it joined hands to defeat Vajpayee's 13-month-old Bharatiya Janata Party-led rule in a confidence vote on Saturday.

But some of those parties are determined not to let Congress rule

on its own. One of them, in an apparent snub to Gandhi, had hinted that it would support Communist Party of India (Marxist) leader Jyoti Basu as prime minister.

### NATO refuses end to bombings

(CNN) — British Prime Minister Tony Blair vowed Tuesday that there would be "no deal" with Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic to end the NATO bombing of Serb targets, aimed at forcing Milosevic to accept a peace deal for Kosovo.

"There is no question of making some deal or compromise with Milosevic," Blair said, speaking at a Brussels news conference with NATO Secretary-General Javier Solana. "We have set out our demands and objectives and they will be met in full because they are the minimum demands that we can, in all humanity, make."

### Holy wars tear up Indonesia

(CNN) — Hundreds of Muslims chanting "God is great" burned a Christian building in eastern Indonesia after the bombing of the national mosque in the capital, police and witnesses said Tuesday.

President B.J. Habibie condemned the act, and called it an attempt to sabotage the June 7 parliamentary elections when Indonesians, who have known little but autocratic rule, will experience their first democratic poll in more than 40 years.

No group has claimed responsibility for the bombing, in which three men were injured.

Hours after Monday's bombing of Jakarta's Istiqlal Mosque, a mob of 1,000 went on the rampage in the eastern city of Ujung Pandang, setting fire to a church complex.

## LOCAL NEWS

### Racial profiling goes to trial

The attorney general yesterday announced the first indictments in a year-long investigation of the State Police, accusing two troopers of lying about the race of dozens of motorists they stopped on the New Jersey Turnpike and illegally searching their cars.

Troopers James Kenna and John Hogan, already under investigation for shooting at four young minority men in a van on the Turn-

pike last year, were accused of official misconduct and falsifying public records, charges that could send them to jail for 10 to 20 years.

### Fuel spill clogs N.J. Turnpike

Thousands of gallons of diesel fuel almost spilled into Newark Bay Monday after a tanker truck flipped on its side and cracked on the ramp to the Newark Bay Hudson County Extension of the New Jersey Turnpike, officials said.

Traffic was diverted for

more than four hours after State Police closed the southbound entrance ramp to the extension at 12:34 p.m., while emergency-response crews contained and cleaned the spill, then righted and towed the damaged truck, said Sgt. Don Pritzlaff, assigned to the Newark Turnpike barracks.

Czar Bush, the driver of the truck registered to Mystic Transport Co., of Long Island City, told investigators he lost control of the vehicle as he was rounding a curve, officials said. There were no summonses issued at the scene, officials said.

## What's to come In THE MONTCLARION

Stories  
in progress

### SGA evaluates EMS allegations

T.J. Hynes, former chief of the MSU EMS, goes before the SGA over allegations of the misuse of money and other financial problems. See where the future of the EMS is headed.

### Janitors speak of legal action against the university

The custodial staff of MSU is upset over alleged racial discrimination. Thoughts of legal action against the university is being discussed.

### Action not yet taken on safety and security poll

Campus safety and security polled students about areas that need improved safety and fighting. Find out when campus police intend to take action.



# World Series trophy at museum

By Raghad Al-Hadidi

Special to The Montclarion

The New York Yankees 1998 World Series Trophy was presented to Yogi Berra by New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani on April 5, and it will be displayed in the Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center beginning April 14.

The trophy was placed in the Museum and Learning Center not for profit, but in honor of the Berra's career as a major league baseball player.

Yogi Berra has a 19-year career, and his last play was in 1965, Dave Kaplan Executive Director of the Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center said.

The Trophy carries 30 flag teams, and every year the Trophy is created in the same design and shape as the first Trophy that was created in 1968.

A thousand fans have already visited the Museum and Learning Center since its opening on April 14, said Marty Apple, an employee of the Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center.

The Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center was founded by The Friends of Yogi, Inc. in October of 1997. The first goal behind its development was to enhance young people's education by using their interest in baseball.

Lawrence Peter "Yogi" Berra, 73, grew up in a neighborhood



COURTESY: YOGI BERRA MUSEUM

**JUST VISITING:** The New York Yankees World Series trophy was presented to Yogi Berra from New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani on April 5 at the Yogi Berra Museum.

called "The Hill" on Elizabeth Street in St. Louis. A childhood friend, Bobby Hofman gave Berra his nickname after watching an Indian movie. He thought that the Hindi man resembled Berra in the way he walked.

Berra joined the team as a catcher with Aaron Robinson, Charlie Silvera and Gus Niarhos in 1943. Berra became the Yankees manager in 1964 and then in 1973 he became the New York Mets

manager. As a manager, Berra won pennants in both leagues.

Berra was elected to the National Baseball Hall of Fame in 1972. As player, manager, and coach, Berra earned 39 rings. He received an honorary doctorate from Montclair State University and now has a Museum and Learning Center built in his honor by his friends.

"The reason behind building the Museum and Learning Center

is because Berra is a fortunate and great legend," said Rose Cali, Board President of The Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center.

The goal of the Museum and Learning Center is to celebrate Yogi Berra's life, and give an overview of his lifelong goal in educating young people.

"Yogi Berra was the best catcher and one of the greatest baseball players of all time," said Kaplan.

# Staff asks Dean Fordyce to resign

By Justin Vellucci

Opinion Page Editor

A letter calling for the resignation of Dean Rachel Fordyce, Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, began circulating among staff members two weeks ago, according to Richard Lynde, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs.

The letter addressed issues that staff members within the college thought were important in the assessment of Fordyce's position. President Susan Cole is currently involved in assessing the one hundred managers working under a local contract at MSU.

"Some faculty expressed concerns about the Dean's leadership. This isn't unknown on college campuses," said Lynde. "Our role is to work with all parties involved to make the campus function as effectively as it can."

Lynde would not speak about the content of the "private letter" and would not release it to *The Montclarion*.

"[The letter] is only a portion of what we take into consideration," said Lynde. "The letter is one in a whole raft of issues."

Though no official comment was made by the Office of the President, Cole said that the letter represented only part of the assessment process.

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Sophie Marceau

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# Masturbator exposes penis to three female students

By Kristin Anderson

Special to The Montclarion

A male allegedly holding his penis or masturbating encountered three female students on separate occasions, while on the Sprague library's second floor.

According to police reports, the victims said that the unknown perpetrator attempted to converse with them as he stood completely exposed before them.

Each victim gave a similar description of the perpetrator, Sergeant Rosado of Campus Safety and Security said.

The library guard regularly monitors the floors at specific times throughout the evening. If not walking, he is available at his desk, Hunt said.

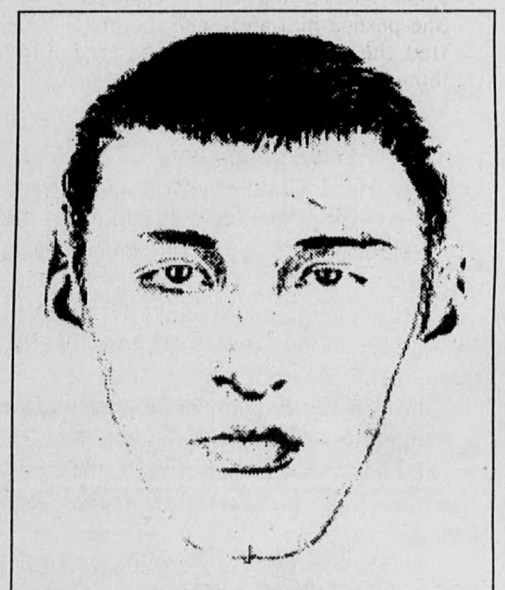
Whenever possible, Hunt also said that she checks the library for sleeping or suspicious students. She emphasized that students should always report any criminal, uncomfortable or threatening incidents that occur to the library guard or to the on-duty reference librarian.

A similar incident of lewdness also occurred recently off-campus in Montclair where a male, fitting the three victims' descriptions, exposed himself to passing vehicles, Rosado said.

These are the first cases of lewdness she has encountered in her 2 1/2 years working at Sprague, University librarian, Judith Hunt said.

If apprehended, the suspect will be charged in Essex County Court.

Public masturbation is a form of exhibitionism providing a thrill or rush from



CAMPUS POLICE SKETCH

**INDECENT:** If you have seen a 20 to 30-year-old male, possibly hispanic, six-foot tall, resembling the picture above call Campus Police at 655-5222.

shocking others and improper behavior. The act could also substitute substantive relationships that the person cannot maintain, psychologist Dr. Todd Weinman said.

One female student said she felt that there is not enough staff in the library. Although the act itself surprised her, the fact that no security was present while any of the three events occurred did not.

Valeska Milan, a student studying with a male friend in the library, admitted she felt less safe and believed more campus security was necessary.



# Two *Montclarion* contributors win journalism award



TIMOTHY M. CASEY/MONTCLARION

**TRAILBLAZER:** Next year's *Montclarion* Editor-in-Chief, Justin Vellucci, will officially receive the Harold Friedlander Memorial Journalism award April 26.

## Nightmare

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where to go," she said.

As he ran away, he gave Miranda one more look before she shut the door in panic.

A neighbor caught a glimpse of the perpetrator. The man looked twice at the neighbor before he fled.

Meanwhile, Miranda pounded on her roommates' door. The two other girls awoke and immediately told her to call campus police, but the phone did not work.

A cordless phone was missing and off the hook. They had to rip the cord from the wall and call out from another phone.

As campus police arrived at the scene, Miranda and her roommates were anxious to get someone inside as they patrolled outside the apartment and searched the woods with flashlights.

The girls found the cordless phone in their kitchen wrapped up in a towel with her roommate's wallet minus \$50 on top.

"This person must have known what he was doing," Miranda said.

Her apartment was swarming with people. Montclair State Police, Little Falls Police and the Passaic County Forensic team scavenged for evidence. Miranda said the administration was supportive and quick to respond.

"I never thought I would say this but I love police. I am always so happy to see them now," she said.

She and her roommates evacuated the apartment the day after the incident. After she and her roommates moved to their new apartment, she huddled close to her boyfriend.

The air was thick with smoke. As her roommate spoke about the administration's concern, Miranda picked up the phone, next to which four police detective business cards were thumbtacked.

She went to pick up some mail in her old apartment. She went back to the door and tugged it behind her to assure security.

When she visited the old apartment, she said, "I hate this place," under her breath.

Three stripped mattresses were piled in the living room. Miranda's favorite sheets were among the evidence collected by the Passaic County Forensic Unit.

Outside the bedroom window, the mud was still scarred with the boot print of the intruder. The screen showed evidence of tampering.

She shivered when she looked at the window frame, still black with fingerprint powder.

She still feels frigid hands on her and every noise causes panic. What was once a one person job of taking out the garbage has become a buddy system.

"When does this fear end?" she asked. "I hope soon."

By Maureen Samedy

Staff Writer

An expose on Dr. Research and "Following the Money Trail" won awards for two *Montclarion* contributors.

Justin Vellucci, 19, and Mary Kate Frank, a graduating senior, will be awarded the Harold Friedlander Memorial Journalism award on April 26.

"I submitted a news article I had written in regards to the possibility of an AFT strike as well as copies of Following the Money Trail," said Vellucci, whose article discussed the injustice education endures by the state government. "I think that was largely the reason that I received the award."

Vellucci, the Opinion Page Editor at The *Montclarion*, has an on air position at WMSC 90.3. He was recently elected to hold the position of Editor-in Chief for 1999-2000. A sophomore with a current grade point average of 3.461, Vellucci also founded and ran the Honors Program Film Forum for a semester.

"In the long run, I think a career in magazine journalism would be really fulfilling for me," said Vellucci. "Immediately after I graduate, I plan on pursuing graduate school."

Mary Kate Frank submitted her highly publicized investigative article entitled "Term Papers for Sale" about Dr. Research's business of selling term papers. Frank is an English major.

"It's been an amazing year for me, and I'm thrilled and honored to be given the Friedlander Memorial Journalism award," said Frank.

Frank has been accepted to the New York University journalism graduate school. Out of a national selection from 16 people, Frank was chosen for a program by the Poynter Institute Journalism Fellowship this summer in St. Petersburg, Florida.

"I want to work in print journalism in NYC, and write fiction on the side," Frank said.

The winners' reception will be held at the Philip Cohen lounge in Dickson Hall at 7 p.m.

To be considered for this award, one must have exhibited notable journalistic accomplishments while at MSU.

The Harold Friedlander Memorial Journalism Award is the first of its kind, and was established by Professor Moe McGee. The award was instituted to commemorate Harold Friedlander, a MSU graduate from the class of 1950.

## Robbery

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police. The gun shot did not hit the roommate, but it was meant as a warning shot, said Roberts.

"These kinds of events happen on every campus," said Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life Karen Pennington.

"None of us can be completely safe anywhere. There is violence in society," said Dean of Student Life Helen Matusow-Ayres.

No arrests have yet been made regarding this incident, said Matusow-Ayres.

Although repeated attempts were made, the Office of Safety and Security refused to comment on the incident.

"I was just told by my director that I was

not to talk to the press. If inside or outside agencies contacted me, I was to direct them to Dr. O'Brien," said a resident assistant. "I basically told them to toss it in the web of bureaucracy."

The incident forced the Student Government Association and College Life Union Board to move the Thursday night "Campus Drive In" to the Quad, instead of the usual Clove Road parking lot.

The university was worried the men might come back, said Pennington.

"I have full confidence the police will find them," said Matusow-Ayres. "They're well trained police and have solved big crimes before."

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# Resignation

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COURTESY: INSIGHT 1992

**FUTURE UNCERTAIN:** Rachel Fordyce, Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, has been the target of a recent letter circulating among CHSS staff.

Fordyce was unavailable for comment. Six telephone calls were made to both her office in Dickson Hall and her home.

Fordyce succeeded Philip Cohen as Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences in 1992.

Prior to her taking the position at MSU, Fordyce served as Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She also served as Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs at Eastern Connecticut State University and Associate Dean of the College of

Arts and Sciences at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Fordyce received bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees in English at the University of Pittsburgh.

"I've taken on a job I like very, very much," said Fordyce in the September 7, 1992 edition of *Insight*. "I respect the people here [at MSU] and the institution."

Recommendations regarding Fordyce's reappointment will be made within the next two months and go before the MSU Board of Trustees in June.

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# Special science course fee could be instituted FY2000

By Brian Pedersen  
Assistant News Editor

The request for a special course fee was discussed at the University Senate meeting last month.

The fiscal year 2000 is the tentative date when the request may be instituted, but no decision has been made, according to a request form from the Office of Budget and Planning.

The special course fee is an added expenditure for science labs and other courses that may involve extra equipment or materials.

"To run an art program with lots of overhead and supplies is a very costly venture," said Harry Schuckle, vice president of Budget, Planning and Information Technology.

"I think there is a great misunderstanding," said Dr. Gregory Waters, vice president of Academic Affairs and Institutional Advancement. "For years, there have been courses with specific course fees. The Board Of Trustees only approves fees that affect a large number of classes."

"My concern is that special fees should not create a burden for students with finan-

cial difficulties," said Dr. Arlene King, Chair of the Department of Counseling, Human Development and Educational Leadership.

"Sometimes we all carry the burden to see to it that there is a certain amount of equality that we don't eliminate people with capabilities who may be in financial need," said King.

Also at the meeting, Information Technology gave a brief regarding the new e-mail system on campus.

"Some significant software problems have not been updated. By getting the software fixed, we hope to have fixed the computer problems," said Lynn Truesdell of Information Technology.

Students will remain on alpha accounts, but faculty and staff may switch

from Saturn to E-roll accounts, according to Truesdell.

Among the various issues discussed at the meeting were a parking update, a report on the guidelines for outdoor artwork, and a request for additional childcare space and staff.

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- Arlene King, Chair of the Department of Counseling, Human Development and Educational Leadership

## Assault

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til Thursday after an armed robbery that occurred on Wednesday night. The flyers combined two events, advising students to take "extra precautions."

"I don't think they intended to have anyone to know about this," said the victim's roommate Kristin Marthinson. "I think they wanted to keep it as quiet as possible."

Melinda O'Brien, director of Residence Life, said that she had to wait for the go ahead from Campus Police to put out a residence hall alert.

Many residents voiced their anger about not being informed about the sexual assault until after Wednesday night's armed robbery said O'Brien.

"The flyer did not go out as quickly as it should have," Dr. Karen Pennington, Vice President of Student Development and Campus Life said.

Director of Public Information, Phyllis Miller said that she was aware of both situations on Thursday morning when she received an inquiring call from Channel 7 News.

Since the sexual assault, both Matusow-Ayres and Pennington have counselled the victims and secure the Clove Road Apartments.

Marthinson said that they were lucky that they were not crime stricken earlier. She said that their Clove Road Apartment was plagued with security problems including a screen on a front window that popped out on contact and a broken lock on their front door that were ignored by maintenance.

"This guy [the intruder] made it hard on himself by going in through her room," Marthinson said.

O'Brien said that many problems came to her attention when several Clove Road Residents had similar complaints, and that she has sent physical plant to assess each apartment for security.

Pennington said she has looked into a plate barrier that would prevent anyone from prying the screen off from the outside. The current estimate for the barriers is \$44,000.

"We are looking into additional lighting, prickly bushes and the possibility of cameras," Pennington said.

The USA Security officer has been re-

placed by two uniformed MSU Police Staff and a marked Police car in the Clove Road Complex said O'Brien.

"We are close to Route 46, Route 3 and the Garden State Parkway," Matusow-Ayres said. "No one should have to live in fear but they should take the proper precautions."

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# "Fiery flame" competes for Wannabe VJ on MTV

MSU undergraduate Laura Lifshitz utilizes her talent to place third in competition

By Kristen Anderson

Staff Writer

MSU's own Laura Lifshitz was among five finalists during MTV's *Wannabe a VJ II* contest. Applicants were competing to win \$25,000, a Kia Sportage and the prized slot to replace current MTV VJ Jesse Camp during a four hour live contest on Saturday, April 17.

Throughout the broadcast the five competitors faced various obstacles designed to help the American public vote for the best candidate for the job. Points were earned through contests such as "maim that tune," in which the Wannabes had to name the title and artist of the song being distorted by MTV's DJ Skribble. VJ Matt Pinfield, an expert on music trivia, later quizzed the "Wannabes" on how much they truly knew about music.

During other events, such as a rap competition and fashion show, it was the viewers who chose the winner by calling in and voting for their pick. The points received from viewer call-ins were worth double the score, so they held more weight in the long run.

Each "Wannabe" also had to prove they could keep their cool in the interviewee seat when interviewed by MTV news reporter Kurt Loder. Each read a fake news report in which blanks were filled in with personal information given by each competitor in a poll. Laura read the news report full of energy and was cheered on by supporters in the audience.



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Although falling short of first place, Laura Lifshitz has definitely captured MTV and the nation with her zany, crazy attitude.

It was obvious she had made an impression on the judges, Da Brat, MTV VJ Matt Pinfield, Steve Harwell, lead singer of Smash Mouth and Joey McIntyre, during the semi-final round. They voted her, out of the 12 semifinalists, to be one of the five "Wannabes" to move onto the finals on Saturday.

Each semifinalist had to make a plea telling why he or she should be the next MTV VJ. The judges eliminated four "Wannabes" based on these pleas. The remaining eight were each asked a question by VJ Carson Daly. Laura's question was: "What two bands would she choose if she could create a real life Celebrity Death Match?" Her response was the Clash and the Backstreet Boys.

It was here where Laura probably lost thousands of votes from the teen girl population because she honestly told the MTV viewing public that she did not like, nor think the Backstreet Boys had any talent. The Backstreet Boys have thousands of devoted fans.

Although they have no qualifying videos as of now, they always come in among the top three slots for the ten most requested videos of the day when they do. They're strongest competition comes from fellow boy band N'Sync.

Left in suspense until the very last slot, Da Brat finally announced the fifth "Wannabe" to move on was "the cooky, the crazy, the zany #9...Laura." The redhead immediately raced over to Harwell planting a kiss on his cheek and leaped onto the winner's platform.

Throughout the semi-finals and finals, Daly, the MC of the event and regular *Total Request Live* host, continually referred to Laura in such ways as the fiery redhead. At one point during the semi-final, he commented on her red hair and high energy, stating that red hair means flame. It was that pure energy that impressed MTV producers enough to chose her as one of the 12 semi-finalists out of the 6,000 people they had seen.

When asked how she felt on Wednesday, after she had made it passed the first elimination round, Laura said she didn't even think she was going to make it that far.

That night Laura stated that it all felt like a dream to her still. No matter what happened she knew her life was going to change

because millions of viewers saw her on national TV. She felt confident that something was bound to come of it whether she won the VJ slot or not.

Well into the second hour of competition Laura held a close second behind fellow VJ "Wannabe" Thalia. However, Thalia soon pulled far ahead, through the help of viewer votes and seemed sure to win the entire contest before the final announcement was made.

Fellow Wannabe, Omar, also pulled ahead of Laura racking up votes in both the rap and fashion competition.

Thalia came in first, Omar second, and Laura ended the competition in third place overall, third place out of 6,000 people from Chicago, LA and NY who auditioned with the hope of getting a chance at the coveted spot. A feat proving she certainly caught the eye of MTV producers and casting directors.

This MSU student, a psychology major and communications minor, has worked hard to promote herself in the music industry, the place where her heart lies.

She is currently a DJ at MSU's own WMSC 90.3 with three time slots as well as both their Public Relations Director and Administrative Assistant. She also occasionally writes for *The Montclarion*.

She is also very active among the independent music scene, writes band reviews for the magazine *The Underground* and helps to promote local bands. This semester Laura also has an internship at 103.5 KTU.

Although it may have been her anti-Boy Band statement during the semifinals that proved to be Laura's demise, she does not regret anything she did or said and believes it was actually her honesty that got her into the final round.

With her outgoing energetic personality and workaholic attitude, Laura remains optimistic about her future and strongly believes an opportunity will arise from the national exposure she received during the MTV *Wannabe a VJ II* Competition.



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Behind the scenes of the VJ contest, Laura did not even realize that she would be placed within the top 5 finalists.



Music Television



# A kiss can be deadly: the dangers of Meningitis

By Lisa Gribbin  
Assistant Feature Editor

Do you ever take a sip out of someone's drink? How about taking a bite with another's fork because you can't resist just trying a little? How about kissing your significant other? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, you may be putting yourself at risk for Meningitis, a potentially fatal disease that is affecting college students today.

Meningitis, an infection easily spread through direct contact with oral secretions (this includes kissing, coughing, and sharing utensils), can lead to a swelling of the brain and spinal cord. There are two different kinds of Meningitis, which are viral and bacterial. The viral infection is a more common form of the disease and is not considered as serious as bacterial Meningitis. This strain of the virus is easily spread and causes outbreaks in a specific area. If left untreated, this type of Meningitis can lead to hearing loss, seizures, amputation and brain damage. It can even be fatal. However, if the virus is detected early, it is most often curable. There is also a vaccine available to prevent the contraction of the disease.

According to statistics from the American College Health Association, there has been an increase in Meningitis outbreaks in college students during the 1990s. From 1991 to 1996, the cases among young adults from 15 to 24 years of age has nearly doubled. 1/3 of these cases occurred in schools and universities.

College students are at a greater risk for developing the disease because of the certain activities that surround college life. Crowded places such as classrooms, dorms, and bars as well as habits such as smoking and drinking alcohol all contribute to making a student susceptible to contracting the



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Sharing intimate moments with your significant other, including kissing and sharing a drink, could lead to the infection Meningitis.

disease. The ACHA recommends that students "consider a meningitis vaccination to reduce their risk for potentially fatal meningococcal disease."

Nancy Ellson, director of the Health and Wellness Center at MSU, said, "This is a vaccine-preventable disease, and one you never have to have."

Ellson and her staff recently sent letters to the parents of MSU students who live on campus explaining the importance of getting vaccinated against Meningitis. She stressed that there has not been a recent out-

break in the campus community.

"We sent letters to inform the parents of the increased risks college students face and to promote awareness of the need for immunization," she said.

If you would like to learn more about meningitis and the precautions available to prevent developing the disease, you can contact the Health and Wellness Center in Blanton Hall at x4361.

If you wish to be vaccinated against the disease, MSU is administering the Meningitis vaccine on Wednesday, April 28th. The

vaccine will be given at the Student Center and in Sprague Library for a fee of \$75. You can also call 1-877-4-vacc or access the web at [www.vaccess.com](http://www.vaccess.com) for more information.

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- \* Sensitivity to Light

## Your life is in your hands: protection from crime

By Lisa Gribbin  
Assistant Feature Editor

Have you ever been afraid of being robbed or attacked? If you have, there are ways to learn how to protect yourself. The National Crime Prevention Council provides information to help prevent people from becoming potential victims.

Statistics from the FBI report that 13 percent of crimes reported to police are violent crimes such as aggravated assault, robbery, forcible rape and murder. The remaining 87 percent are those referring to property crimes. The National Crime Prevention Council reports that in 1994 there were 111 violent victimizations for every 1,000 teenagers and young adults in the United States. The victim not only experiences an emotional loss, but a financial loss as well: Personal crimes generate \$105 billion annually in property, productivity losses and medical expenses.

According to information from the Crime Prevention Council, women are significantly less likely than men to become victims of violent crime. However, they still experience more than 2.5 million violent events every year, including rape and other sexual assaults, especially women aged 15-24. This age group has the highest risk of becoming a victim of a sexual crime.

This checklist, formulated by the National Crime Prevention Council, can help you analyze your own dangerous behavior and make the appropriate changes so that you can better protect yourself from harm.

Do you:

- \* Walk by yourself early in the morning or late at night?
- \* Leave your purse open so anyone can

peek in and know your home address or phone number?

- \* Let your thoughts wander while driving or walking?
- \* Leave your car doors unlocked, even if it's only for a short period of time?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, you might consider changing a few habits to safeguard yourself from a possible attack. If walking alone at night, call someone to walk with you: a friend, a security guard, anyone. Don't leave your purse or wallet out in the open so anyone could find out your personal information, and always lock your doors, even if you're just running out for a second.

When you are driving, always make sure you have enough gas, water, oil, etc. so that you don't break down late at night. Avoid parking in isolated places with dim lighting. If you suspect that someone is following you, drive to the nearest brightly lit place such as a gas station or restaurant, or go directly to the police or fire station closest to you.

When using mass transit, try not to doze off. Keep a watchful eye out for anyone that appears suspicious. If you feel uneasy about getting off at a certain stop, don't. It's better to be safe than sorry.

If someone does approach you with an intent to rob you, don't resist giving up your personal belongings. Give up whatever you have to: your car, jewelry, wallet, whatever the perpetrator asks for. Report the crime immediately to the local police.

If you wish to learn more helpful tips to protect yourself against a possible attack, contact the National Crime Prevention Council at [www.ncpc.org.com](http://www.ncpc.org.com). Remember, when it comes to protecting yourself against harm, your life is in your hands.

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# Going the extra mile straight to graduation: Kenneth Key

By Vanessa Benfatto

Staff Writer

Occupational success can begin by treating others respectfully and taking time out to lend a helping hand. Kenneth Key's job in College Hall's Financial Aid Office lives up to the philosophy of patience and respect.

"This is a place where we [the employees] help find out what the students' problems are and then help them so they can go out into the world and solve them," said Key.

Going to the Financial Aid office may be frustrating for students who are unable to get help from a person who is patient and understands what they do not, but Key does understand because, once upon a time, he was an undergraduate at MSU. As a transfer student, Key returned from Japan and found it difficult to get financial help.

So, Key decided to help other students who deserved and needed financial aid. He has been processing veteran paperwork for 19 years in order for students to receive GI education benefits and military education money towards their education.

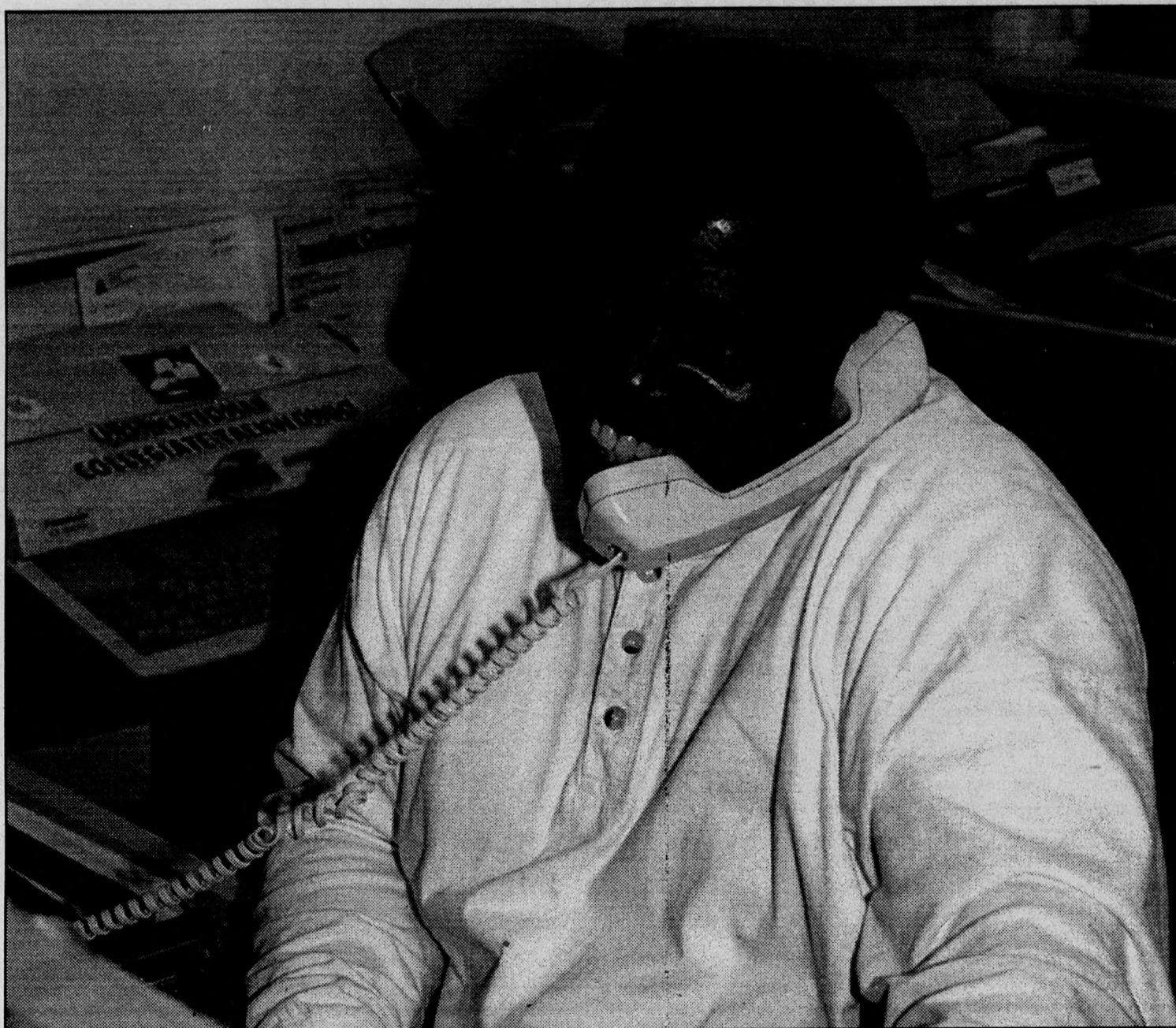
Having worked in the financial aid office for nine years, Key understands what kind of help the students need and according to fellow employee Margaret King, "...makes a lot of the people feel very welcome and gets to know them."

"He interprets the students needs and knows the best way to help them," said a fellow employee, Michele Deleva.

As for Key he said, "I know that I can help students out and I don't mind taking the extra time....plus, the most rewarding thing is to see a student graduate."

Key not only likes helping students get financial aid so they can graduate, but enjoys carrying out good service. Good service defined by Key includes working as a team, for and with the students. "I feel the service now is good but distant...The oompf is not there."

"Key is one of the few who takes the time to help a student and genuinely seems to care," said student Chris Lundy.



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*Kenneth Key helps students to figure out their problems so that when they are out in the world they can get the solution by themselves*

As a continuing MSU student with his wife, Key is still aware of the financial struggles in or out of the armed services and in college. This is why he is vice-president of the Commercial Workers of America Union Association on campus and a mem-

ber of the President Affirmation Act Commission.

Key gets involved with on campus groups because he wants to help diversify the college and because he believes in equal pay for equal work.

"If you work hard enough, you'll get ahead," said Key. Working well means enjoying teaching, helping and sharing with others. In this way, we not only teach others, but grow and develop by teaching ourselves.

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# The Mystery of Edwin Drood: a wonderful comedic killer

By Lorenda Knisel

Staff Writer

**T**he *Mystery of Edwin Drood*, a play directed by Ramon Delgado, written by Rupert Holmes and based on an unfinished novel by Charles Dickens, is a curious mix of mystery, bawdy humor, audience participation and musical extravaganza.

The first thing that greets the theatergoers entering Memorial Auditorium to see *Drood* are groups of noisy Cockneys dressed in 19th century garb, many of them making off-color jokes and remarks. Alongside them stand proper English ladies and gentlemen.

This is not the Memorial Auditorium that many have come to know. For the run of *Drood*, the Auditorium, in both name and spirit, has been transformed into The Theatre Royale, a place, apparently, where nothing is as it seems.

The greatest, and most curious, facet of the play is in its structure. It is not only a stage production of MSU's Department of Theatre and Dance, but a play within a play. The actors, whom many students know from other performances, are portraying actors in the elaborately, and self-consciously crafted Theatre Royale, a 19th century music hall.

In the world of this music hall, they are preparing to stage *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*.

Many steps are taken to ensure that the audience is aware that they are watching a play within a play. There are two sets of cast lists (one for the play that the audience is really watching and another for the play within it), and stage props are not built to represent real scenery but, instead, to represent stage props. Throughout, the nature

of being in an audience for such a self-conscious production is almost surrealistic. Characters interact with various audience members and treat them as if they are audience members of the Theatre Royale. The audience is encouraged to forget, if only for the length of the performance, that they are seated in Memorial Auditorium.

The play itself is an almost-cheesy musical, an unexpected twist for a book written by Charles Dickens. Those onstage overact and are melodramatic, something that many in the audience received cautiously. The gorgeous sets, props, and costumes, as well as the witty dialogue and humor, make up for the confusion over why those onstage would be over-acting to such a degree.

Particularly impressive outside of this is the dance routine entitled "Jasper's Vision." In it, Jasper, the uncle of Edwin Drood, has an opium-induced vision of what might have been other addicts writhing and dancing in gossamer rags. The routine lends a sense of romance as well as depression to poverty and drug addiction. Most of the other dance numbers, however, seem cliché.

Why the over-acting? Is Dickens turning over in his grave? As soon as the narrator announces that, in the coming season, the Theatre Royale will be performing *Hamlet: Part Two*, the over-acting is seen as quite intentional and the play becomes a kind of lavish farce on the act of bringing a creative work to the stage.

The story begins during the Christmas season with the narration of the Chairman (Aaron Schurgin) in the town of Cloisterham. The choirmaster of Cloisterham, John Jasper (Michael Aquino), has a ward named Edwin Drood (Alicia Williams) who is engaged to the puerile Rosa Bud (Blair Brown). Yet Drood no longer loves Rosa, the secret love of Jasper.



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l-r: Alicia Williams as Edwin Drood, Aaron Schurgin as The Chairman/ Mayor Sapsea, and Michael Aquino as John Jasper in Rupert Holmes' *The Mystery of Edwin Drood*.

Drood breaks the engagement and disappears. Also in love with Rosa is Neville Landless (Nathan Mello) who is arrested for Drood's murder, but is soon released for lack of a body. Fearing that Rosa loves Landless, Jasper confesses his love and threatens to further implicate Landless in the murder unless she returns his love.

Dickens' story ends unfinished as Dick Datchery, a lingering detective, is introduced. From here on, because of Dickens' demise, no one is sure who he intended the murderer to be or if there was a murderer at all. It is uncertain as to whether Drood is even dead or not.

At this point, it is up to the audience to decide, through both a show of hands and rounds of applause, what ending would be most suitable for *Drood*. In every perfor-

mance the murderer and the detective are different, depending on the audience's vote. As well, the audience gets to vote on what two characters get to have a final romance. Given the possibilities, the play has a multitude of different endings. The best part about it is that it's all up to the audience.

Leaving Memorial Auditorium, Theatre Royale becomes just another construction. Through welcoming the audience into the world of actors performing a play within a play, *The Mystery of Edwin Drood* does more than entertain. It involves.

For that reason alone, it should be seen as several cuts above the rest.

If you want to see mystery, romance, wit and all-around great entertainment, go see *The Mystery Of Edwin Drood* on April 22, 23, & 24 at 8pm or on April 23 at 1pm in Memorial Auditorium.

## Entertainment News Breaks

Compiled By Lynette Surie

Arts Editor



**JOHN VS. TURNER FEUD LEAVES OPRAH ALONE:** The feud between **Elton John** and **Tina Turner**, which reportedly occurred during rehearsals for the just aired *VH1 Divas Live '99* concert, is still going on, according to the *New York Daily News*. The newspaper claims that the two were set to jet to Chicago from New York following the concert in order to appear together on the *Oprah Winfrey Show*. However, both divas wound up cancelling the appearance amid reports that they were on the outs over a squabble at the concert. According to *The New York Daily News*, a spokesperson for Winfrey's daytime talk show said that the reason for that particular episode's last minute cancellation was because "there were problems between Tina and Elton." Turner's rep claims that Tina personally called Winfrey to cancel the booking.

**SOULFLY HIT IT OFF WITH RAMMSTEIN:** This June, **Soulfly**, who are fronted by former **Sepultura** singer Max Cavelera, will make one more trip around the US in support of their self-titled album, this time with **Rammstein**. The two bands will start their tour on June 1, with **Skunk Anansie** opening. On June 12, **Mindless Self Indulgence** takes over as opening act.

**THE OFFSPRING GET BEHEADED' BY IDLE HANDS:** The **Offspring** make an appearance on the soundtrack to the forthcoming film *Idle Hands*. Although the movie opens April 30, the soundtrack is already in stores. Guitarist Noodles told *Entertainment Weekly* that the choice for the song came after the band and singer Dexter Holland filmed their parts: "We knew our singer was going to be decapitated, well not decapitated, but scalped in this film. So when they asked us to do something, we said, 'Well, why don't we do 'Beheaded'? It's one of our songs.' And they were cool with it, and it works. It's really works for the theme that it takes place in."

**PUFFY ARRESTED FOR ASSAULT:** On Friday afternoon, hip-hop superstar **Sean "Puffy" Combs** turned himself in to New York City police in connection with the alleged assault of the record label executive and **Nas** manager **Steve Stout**. According to *MTV Online*, Puffy is charged with second degree assault and criminal mischief. Puffy and his crew watched the premiere of **Nas**' "Hate Me Now" video on MTV on Thursday afternoon and were angry at the airing of a version which features **Nas** and Puffy hanging from crosses in a mock crucifixion scene. The official word from **Bad Boy** is that there was in fact a dispute between the two labels over the airing of the video, but they could not confirm that any **Bad Boy** representatives had been involved in the incident Thursday afternoon. Police say that Stout was treated at a local hospital for an arm injury and released. MTV has pulled the **Nas** video from the air until both **Bad Boy** and **Columbia** agree on a cut of the video.

**BEASTIE BOY DISCUSSES SITUATION IN KOSOVO:** One third of the **Beastie Boys** and *Milarepa Fund* member **Adam Yauch** is concentrating on doing his best to help the non-violent Tibetan freedom movement, but he's also concerned about the events in Kosovo, especially the attempted "ethnic cleansing" of the ethnic Albanians in that region. When *Music* asked Yauch about the decision for the U.S. to take action against the Serbian oppression in Kosovo and not against the Chinese oppression in Tibet, Yauch said, "I'm not sure I have all the answers for that, but I can throw out a couple of guesses. The United States and most countries around the world still have a lot to gain financially, or they feel like they have a lot to gain financially, from opening up trade with China, and so everyone is very hesitant to do anything to upset the Chinese. I guess it just worked a little better for American politics to be involved there. I think the situation that's going on there is terrible and that it's good that people do focus efforts on changing that situation."

**TONY BENNETT'S HEAD IN A BOX?:** Madame Tussaud's, the legendary London waxworks museum that exhibits wax statues of famous personalities, is celebrating its opening in America with an informational event in New York today and tomorrow at which artists will display wax celebrity heads in boxes. The celebrities whose portraits will be shown include Tony Bennett, Whoopi Goldberg, and Kenny Rogers. Madame Tussaud's attractions will open in New York and Las Vegas; the Vegas attraction will open in June at the new Venetian Resort-Hotel-Casino, and the New York attraction will open in early 2001. The celebrities whose wax portraits will be exhibited at the Las Vegas attraction include Frank Sinatra, Muhammad Ali, Bill Cosby, Marilyn Monroe, Elvis Presley, Michael Jackson, Barbra Streisand and Bob Hope.

**PUBLIC ENEMY PIONEERS ONLINE MUSIC SCENE WITH ATOMIC POP:** On Friday, **Public Enemy** frontman Chuck D and internet music company Atomic Pop announced their partnership to market and promote the group's forthcoming studio album, *There's A Poison Goin On*. With the announcement, **Public Enemy** becomes the first major artist to embrace the online space as the exclusive release platform for a new studio album. Atomic Pop will launch *There's A Poison Goin On* through aggressive online promotion, marketing, sales and distribution prior to releasing the album through traditional retail channels. Founded by music mogul Al Teller, Atomic Pop will release the first full studio offering from **Public Enemy** since 1994. *There's A Poison Goin On* will be available exclusively at atomicpop.com for \$10 and simultaneously via digital download, beginning early May, prior to its availability in traditional record stores in late June 21.





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## The Nerds had the energy, but were lacking support

By Kristen Anderson

Staff Writer

The Nerds, a cover band, played a free show sponsored by C.L.U.B and C.I.C. on Tuesday April 13. They played to a small crowd in the Student Center Ballroom, though the show was open to all MSU students and guests.

While the band was full of theatrics and energy, the majority of their audience was lacking in energy for most of the evening.

The Nerds; Stretch-Guitar, vocals, Spaz-Bass, vocals, Biff-Percussion, and Mongo-Keyboard; kept their intensity during their entire set despite the fact they were playing to an audience who gave them little feed back and restrained applause. They kept at it, even though in a stand up room only venue the majority of the small crowd chose to sit on the floor.

Some life did come into the audience when the band introduced their saxophone player, a current MSU student, Scott Solomon, who has been playing with them for two years.

Though far from the majority, a select few did dance and move during the performance. However, most watched the entire

show as if they were watching a theatrical stage show...not a live band!

During one of their songs, when everybody actually seemed into the music, the band pointed the microphone out for the audience to sing the chorus without them...you know the saying: it was so quiet you could have heard a pin drop...well...yeah, you get it.

The Nerds cover line up for the evening included such popular songs as Sugar Ray's "Every Morning" and Violent Femmes "Blister in the Sun" as well as old favorites like "Mustang Sally" and "Sweet Caroline". When the band played a cover of the Brian Setzer Orchestra's hit song "Jump Jive and Wail," believe it or not, a lot of people actually danced besides the few who had been dancing all evening.

If you missed them on April 13, you can see The Nerds at any of their numerous NJ club appearances. They frequently play clubs such as Birch Hill in Old Bridge and TradeWinds in Sea Brite. Sure, they may only be a cover band, but their gimmick is hilarious and their covers sound great!

If you want to know where to check out the Nerds in concert you can call their Hotline at 1-877-THE-NERDS.



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# Drive-in still a good time, even with low attendance

By Chris Wood

Staff Writer

On Thursday, April 14, the annual drive-in was held. This year's movies were the eighties classic *Footloose* and the recent comic farce *There's Something About Mary*. The drive-in was moved from its usual location, lot 28, the parking lot opposite the Clove Road apartments, to the student center quad. The move seemed to prompt a drop in attendance.

Despite the low numbers, the crowd seemed to enjoy themselves fully. There was a pleasant picnic like atmosphere during *Footloose*. Most of the movie viewers were scattered across the quad, sitting on

blankets, and munching on pizza and popcorn as they watched. The drive-in took on a more party-like atmosphere as *There's Something About Mary* began to play. Despite the contrast of the mood felt during each movie, the experience was enjoyed by the crowd.

The first of the two movies to play was *Footloose*, the eighties classic starring Kevin Bacon, John Lithgow, Dianne West, and Sarah Jessica Parker. The movie follows city kid Ren McCormack (played by Bacon), who moves into a conservative suburban community in which public dancing has been outlawed. It then tracks his ef-

forts to overturn the law so that a dance can be held for the town youth. The movie is filled with eighties dance classics that had some of the audience on their feet dancing. The whole experience during this film could definitely be described as nostalgic. Everything from the costumes to the slang phrases used during the film were a blast from the eighties.

The second film was the farcical modern day romance *There's Something About Mary*, starring Ben Stiller, Cameron Diaz, and Matt Dillon. The movie follows a young man, Ted Strohman (Ben Stiller), as he tracks down and woos his high school crush, Mary Jensen (played by Cameron Diaz). Ted's quest for his long lost high school crush is full of comic

disasters.

The crowd seemed to also enjoy this movie. First and second-time viewers were all laughing at this comedy's hysterics.

The evening was fun for all who were there. The night was filled with memorable experiences for everyone, such as the sight of one of the attending students climbing a nearby tree, as well as the sight of a movie screen in the Student Center quad.

Those who saw *Footloose* had a lot of fun in the quiet, picnic atmosphere. Those who stayed, or arrived for *There's Something About Mary*, found the party atmosphere enjoyable, also.

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Thurs, April 22

*Mystery of Edwin Drood*, Memorial Auditorium, 8 p.m.

*Fleshtones*, CBGB & OMFUG, NYC

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*Mystery of Edwin Drood*, Memorial Auditorium, 1 p.m. & 8 p.m.

*98 Degrees*, Beacon Theater, NYC

Sat, April 24

*Mystery of Edwin Drood*, Memorial Auditorium, 8 p.m.

*10,000 Maniacs*, Bottom Line Cabaret Theater, NYC

*Edith Frost, Danielson*, Bowery Ballroom, NYC

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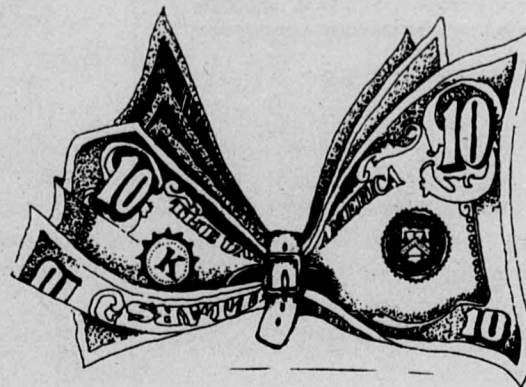
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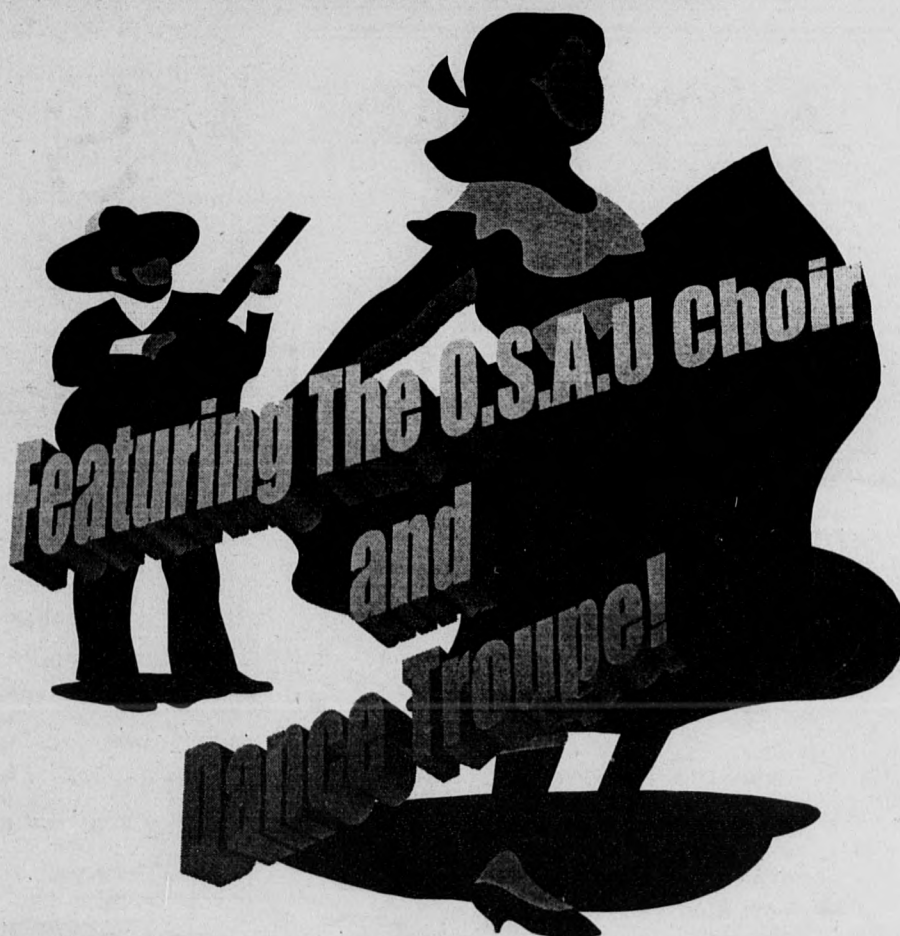
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**Adria Gettle, French**

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**Claudia Hargain, Biology**

"They should make the students know that the SGA does stuff for them."

**Wilel Fanfan, Molecular Biology**

"I think we need to have more contested positions in student government. That brings out the vote."

**William Guardino, Human Ecology**  
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"Give away free stuff. I don't think it's publicized enough. There could have been more publicity about times and places to vote. I didn't even know where to go."

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"Announce it more. People don't really know the importance of it."

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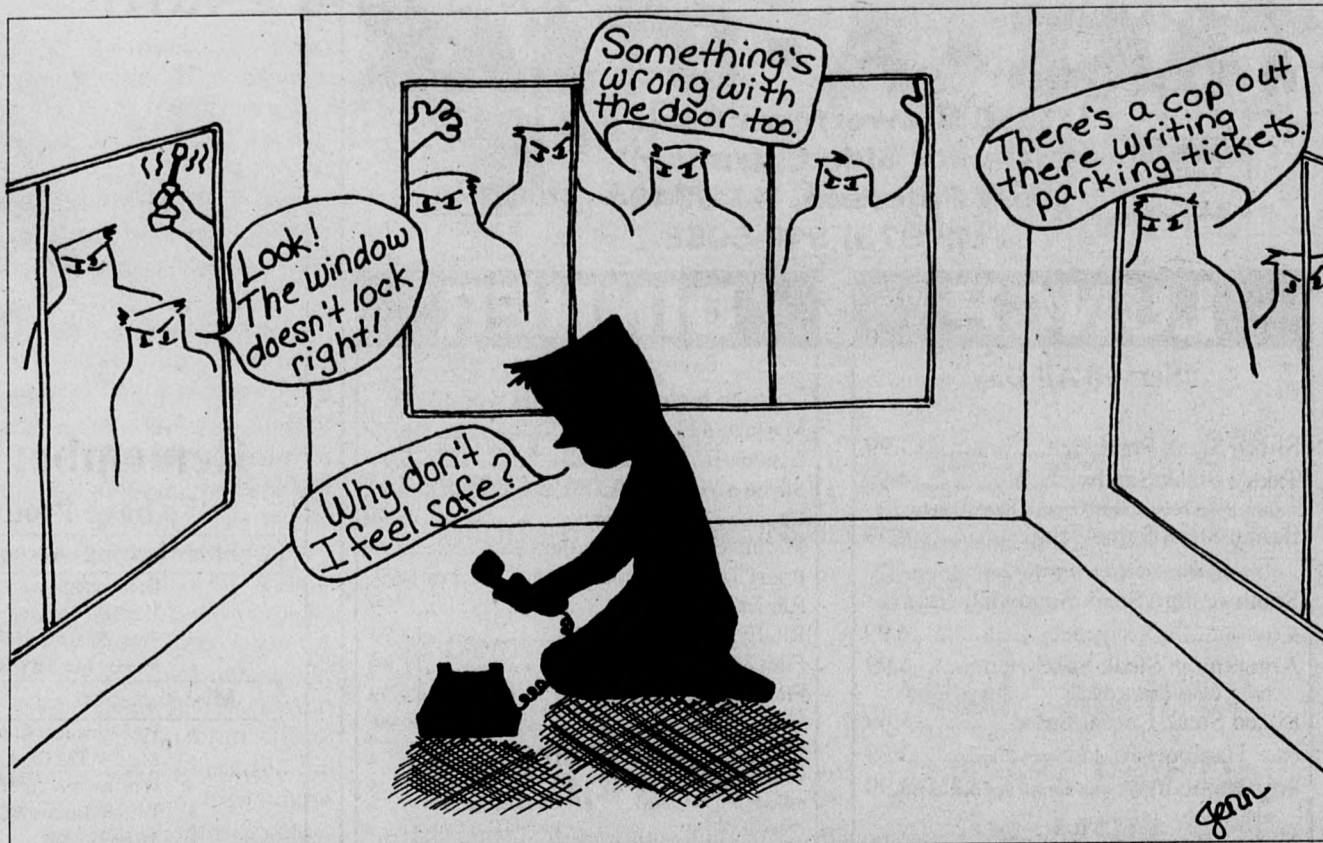
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# MAIN EDITORIAL



## Recent Clove Crimes Help Destroy the Illusion of Campus Safety

Crime happens and, sometimes, it is out of control of even the most intimidating and ever-present authority figures. Last week, however, when two major incidents occurred at the Clove Road Apartments, the presence and proficiency of the Office of Campus Safety and Security showed its true colors. Rightfully so, students are scared.

The most disturbing facet of the safety disasters that took place in the 300 block of Clove Road was the lackluster efficiency of heightened security. Only two nights after a sexual assault took place in a Clove Road Apartment, a group of young men in ski masks walked right into the crime scene and held students at gunpoint. This is completely inexcusable. Clove should have been crawling with officers. Clearly, Campus Police had no idea how to handle a volatile situation and, in this instance, things just got worse.

So, what's the solution? Well, instead of suggesting that USA Security guards who man the front desks and security booths during late-night hours do their jobs more effectively, or Campus Police schedule more patrols of Clove, Campus Police did what they do so well. They offered: "No comment." With students in a panic, and national media descending upon the campus, the only suggestion that has surfaced is to arm campus officers. Now, when they're off writing parking tickets as students are being held up, they can carry a gun. Wonderful. Dean Helen Matusow-Ayres and VP Karen Pennington support it. Why shouldn't we? While officers carrying guns might prove effective in cutting crime in the long run, it doesn't seem to be a completely useful suggestion in the present circumstances.

What was the administrative response to the panic? With Campus Police not saying anything about the pending investigation or the measures being taken to ensure that this would not happen again, worried parents and students alike were directed to the Office of Public Information. Wonderful. An e-mail regarding the sexual assault was apparently sent out on Tuesday by the Director of Campus Police Philip Calitre to all MSU Alpha addresses, but no student seems to have received it. Wonderful.

We at *The Montclarion*, as student journalists, understand that there are very rarely easy answers to serious issues and problems. There are sketchy details about the nature of these crimes and things that need to be ironed out that cannot be explained so shortly after the incidents. However, we at *The Montclarion*, as students, however, do not understand how an armed robbery could take place only two days after a sexual assault, in the same building, with "heightened security." We do not understand why the administration seems more concerned with Freshman orientations being tainted with questions about safety than about the real safety issues facing students already here. And, finally, we do not understand why nobody is providing answers to this simple question: Why?

Until we can answer, or even attempt to answer, that one urgent question, no student, in Clove or otherwise, is safe.

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VIEWPOINT

# What's In a Name?

## The Role of Personal Identity in the Yugoslavian Conflict

*"Peace is what keeps our lives intact, our identities strengthened, and our futures reinforced."*

I recently changed my first name in court. It became official a few days after the first bombings in Kosovo. Through my fleeting identity crisis, I was persuaded to put this issue aside, however, and focus my attentions on the refugees in Kosovo.

My name change was published in the newspaper along with personal information about myself. I felt a tinge of importance seeing my old name in print. My new name was my own undisputed testimonial to approaching 40 years old, wackiness, or just the freedom to choose a new name. It soon became a mere aside to the turmoil that was brewing far off in another land.

In between the increasing NATO air strikes and the banter of who is responsible for this disaster, I started to list the agencies that required some documentation of my name change.

The IRS, social security, mortgage, credit card, school and various others came to mind. There wasn't a place untouched by my presence as Lori Meyers, right down to the town library and an A&P check cashing card.



Molly MEYERS  
Columnist

us? Certainly they intermingle.

Still pressing was the front page of almost every newspaper. Everyday more and more Albanians are forced at gunpoint to flee from their homes and belongings. They had to witness the brutal murders of their loved ones and watch in anguish, as their towns were set ablaze. 450,000 people walking side by side along a 6-foot wide path in an attempt to avoid land mines. Horrendous, I thought.

For here I lay in bed wondering who I am now with a different name or the lack of identity that once went with my old name. At the same time, the young and old alike in Kosovo wonder where their next meal will come from or where they will lay their

heads down to sleep.

The atrocious situation in Yugoslavia seems very remote. It is difficult to imagine 450,000 people stranded without control or regard, as difficult as it would be to imagine violence disrupting life in our contained and protected homeland. I thought about the Yugoslavian people as individuals and not just one big mob scene.

I imagined how many people were on life sustaining medication, children in need of formula, women with their menstruation, women about to give birth, the exposure to the elements, having to watch family members die and to know that you must keep moving. It was more than I could grasp.

Conversely, when I thought about their vital records at banks, hospitals, schools, employment and governmental agencies all being destroyed in order to strip them of their identity, I became enraged. Does it take a mass identity-stripping for all of us to realize how grateful and appreciative we should be to our country? Or, does it take a

horrific situation on human dignity to be humbled to some degree?

We take many events and happenings for granted in this country. The one integral facet of this country that we should not ever take for granted is peace. This may not seem like much. Yet, peace is what keeps our lives intact, our identities strengthened and our futures reinforced.

It may take time for my new name to take shape. But I know that I have time. For the people in Kosovo, each day further annihilates them from

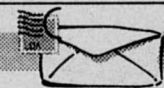
who they are and where they belong.

It is truly a dreadful situation. And, deep down I, as an American, feel some responsibility toward these half-forgotten refugees forced from their homes, loved ones and lives. Maybe my responsibility lies in part to their absence of identity. Now when I think of my name change and the freedom I had in choosing to do so, I am compelled into realizing how insignificant it is compared with the nameless people far off in another land.

**"Do we become our names, or do our names become us?"**



## MONTCLARION MAILBAG



### Responding to allegations that Kosovo is an imperialist action

There are several things in Professor Furr's letter [The Montclarion, April 15] that I wish to confront in examining the Kosovo crisis in an objective manner.

The suspicion of corporate interests in Kosovo should not overlook the moral and political issues that would still be present if NATO did not intervene in Yugoslavian President Milosevic's political and military machines.

Balkan neighbors are frightened of having this war spread to its borders. The conflict between Serbs and Albanians has gone on long enough that a systematic and powerful operation must be undertaken to bring some meaning of peace and sense of security to Europe.

When one thinks about the possible presence of corporate interests in exercising the so-called "oil motive," one must also consider the number of other conflicts that have taken place in the Caspian Sea region, notably Turkish reprisals against Kurds and the Russian attacks on Chechans. In either of these cases, the U.S. could have justified having an occupation force of NATO troops to separate the belligerents.

Under the guise of the NATO flag, American corporate interests would have access to, and eventual control of, oil pipelines, many of which lead to the Balkans. That is assuming that many pessimists' accusations that corporate interests are behind every government action is accurate.

This assumption, however, possibly true for many cases, does not hold for the Kosovo intervention. The infrastructure of Yugoslavia would be so badly damaged before the capitulation of the Serbs that whatever economic gain possible would mean nothing for the billions of dollars of military commitment and the subsequent rebuilding and loss of life that would occur. Even politicians will not sacrifice their public opinion and careers for such a possibility just so corporate interests can benefit. Furthermore, there is too much racial tension in the region to effectively exploit cheap labor. So, how valid are these sources and articles that suggest an oil motive?

The letter also erred in claiming that capitalism is behind imperialism. This is inconsistent with factual history. For example, was capitalism behind the Soviet motives for invading Afghanistan in 1979? Some would argue that economic motives of "state capitalism" drove the communists to invade this country, but "state capitalism" is an oxymoron, and capitalism did not exist in this "utopian society." In Afghanistan, communist repression forced 3 million people to flee to Pakistan and 1.5 million to Iran.

What about the Berlin Wall, and the Soviet occupation of Iran in 1946, or Stalin's attempt to push Yugoslavia and

Tito to communist conformity? Was capitalism behind those incidents? Not all seemingly imperialist action is driven by capitalism; many times, it is by anti-capitalists that brutal conflicts grow.

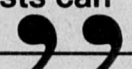
Capitalism is also not the only potentially repressive system of government. For instance, Lenin advocated the suppression of certain classes in *The State and Revolution*. (1917) As opposed to capitalism, "the inherently exploitative system," communism is not much different.

One ought to weigh whether capitalism is behind the intervention in Kosovo and other places, and whether it should be eliminated. As a final word, I wish to ask both the Serbian and Albanian students to show some unity in opposing the conflict in Kosovo, be it Serbian extremist or NATO bombings. Those of our generation should speed up the peaceful reconciliation of the warring parties by writing letters to government officials and other such activities.

I am an American and, as a result, I support humanitarian efforts and military operations in ending this problem, so long as U.S. national interests are also satisfied.

Sash Zlatanovich, Political Science

**"Even politicians will not sacrifice their public opinion . . . just so corporate intrests can benefit."**



### Naming the new Richardson Annex: Howard Stern's place at MSU

Every morning, when I walk by the new Chemistry/Biology building, I wonder what the name will be. Well, I have my own idea what the new name should be. Instead of going with the usual names, some dead ex-president, this time the school should name it after a well known personality. Just like Yogi Berra Stadium, the new building would become popular due to the name.

See, when I think biology, the first name that comes to mind is Howard Stern. Having a popular radio show, he has touched almost all of the lives of the students at Montclair State University at one time or another.

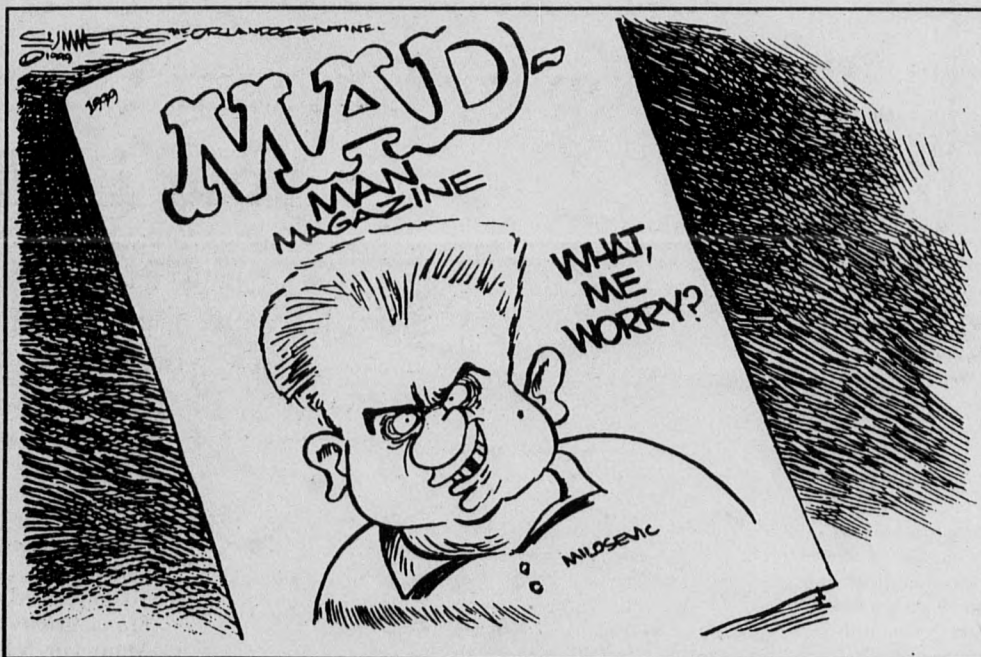
Whether people like him or not, his fame will in doubt help the school.

Boston University, the college from which he graduated, gave him the cold shoulder but Montclair State has a chance to fix that overlook.

Our university can honor him the way that he truly deserves to be honored. I hope MSU will take the time to consider what I have said.

Billboards of the university will only bring in so many students, Stern Hall can bring in so much more.

Thomas Colli, Mathematics





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A Moment of Truth

By Vanessa Benfatto

Nobody with a strong grip on reality is even vaguely interesting.

"Reow! Meow, and purr," hollered a man dressed in tiger stripes with a neon g-string - ouch! - and a swishy little fuzzy little tail that fluffed out in the air.

Walking by my roommate Sherry's boyfriend, the man smacked Weston on the bottom and pinched him rather daringly on the thigh. Weston tittered in a very flirtatious and altogether unstraight-like fashion. Straight-laced Weston then proceeded to kiss the tiger man on the-

Oh dear! I darted a look at Sherry to gauge a reaction for a diary entry - I mean, I might as well get something out of the experience - and noted that her eyebrows had disappeared into her hairline.

Gosh, I don't know exactly what Sherry had hoped to discover by spying on her boyfriend in this all-male club, but finding out he was a stripper, a bisexual, and a cheater/flirt was a little more than she bargained for.

Taking pity on her because she seemed to be paralyzed, I smacked her on the bottom, although I decided to forego pinching her thigh and waited for her to say something.

She told me she wanted to strip, and insisted that I do the same thing because the director would be very angry...

Sick of her obsession with the absurd, I tried to walk out of the club. I could take seeing guys in stripes, g-stings, feathers - Weston actually looked good in blue and green peacock feathers. They matched his eyes! He even went so far as to shave his armpits -but I was not about to stay and sacrifice myself for some misguided intention of having to prove that I was sexy.

"If you are so insecure that you have to prove your sexiness by stripping in front of a bunch of guys who are here for more than admirable reasons, I wish you well. In the mean time, I will bid you adieu." I turned to exit splendidly, or, since I was posing as a man, maybe a better word would be dramatically or righteously. But, it was ruined by me bumping into a solid chest, and an anaconda-like arm snaking out to wrench me close.

"Where are you going? The director says it is time for you to go," a giant brute of a bodyguard thundered.

I was not going to let this big bully frighten me! I was not some rag doll to be shaken about lightly! Shaking his hand from my person as if he were some odious cockroach-like creature I adjusted my tie and coat before deigning to answer the fiend.

"That is all very well, but tell your director that it is time for me to quit."

The bodyguard sputtered as Sherry spit in my eye. Verbally speaking, that is, she told me to go fish in the most unflattering manner.

Outraged, I huffed away as she told me to quit my Shakespearean-like act. Some friend! I was dragged to a strip club to pose as a man and she couldn't even handle my extensive vocabulary level. I resolutely walked out into the arena of raging, lustful, bulls, or, rather, men, and stopped to listen to a song from The Rocky Horror Picture Show, "I'm Just a Sweet Transvestite."

Weston had changed into ostrich plumes and was now wiggling around with two others. A "Pig Man," adorned in a real life, honest-to-God pink pig skin coat, with smelly black ears and a curly white tail. The other dancer/stripper was sporting the most enchanting color of velvet I had ever seen. Of course, it was ruined by the fact that he was dressed as an apple, or was it an orange? And there was a big ugly green worm-also made of velvet that decorated his person. But it was definitely unique. Tacky, but unique. As the man in the velvet fruit turned, I saw Sherry creep onto the stage ready to strip. Oh, God save the Queen! I was about to leap on the stage in the chance that I could rescue her from disgracing herself, but then a riot broke out.

It was raining liquor.

People were throwing food, drinks, clothes, and I sensed, in a few seconds-punches. The best idea was to flee, and quickly. Finally taking initiative, I grabbed Sherry's hand - I did not care if anyone thought we were gay, lesbian, or undecided - and ran to the exits as a shower of vodka cascaded down from the balcony. Bottles were thrown and shards of broken glass were everywhere. The sound of discordant shouts echoed off the walls. Topsy, stoned and highly frustrated with their sex lives - or lack of - the men were getting downright rowdy. I felt like I was in the middle of the fall of Rome. People everywhere screaming, running and cursing while rubble paraded down on one's skull...Sherry was right that it would not be a dull affair.

Luckily, we managed to swing out a window and onto a fire escape before the police came.

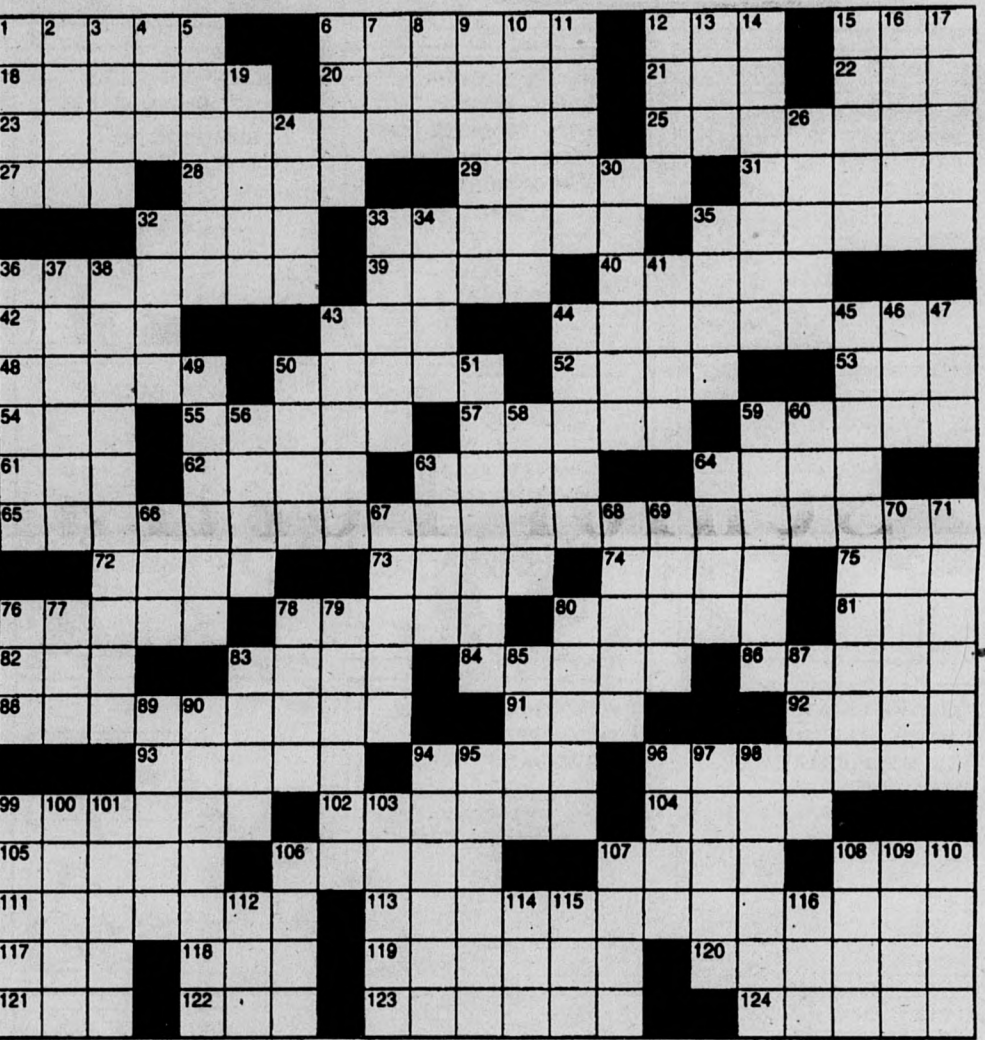
Dashing into Sherry's father's limo deluxe, I sat back on the plush cushions and wiped the sweat from my brow. "So." I was still panting for air and had to take a breath as I noticed that I had Cool Whip in my hair and salsa stains on my buttocks. "Pardon me for asking this, but what exactly did you gain from this night's festivities?"

Sherry looked at me and swallowed. "I learned the truth. I learned not to date someone you meet in a therapist's office. And, I learned that goatees are awfully itchy," she joked audaciously as she ripped off her facial hair and released the binding of her chest with a relieved sigh. In other words, she hadn't learned anything. She smiled impishly. "Actually, I learned that dressing up as a man isn't all it's cracked up to be..."

Well, it was a beginning....

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Her essence lingers in my memory like no others... And when I close my eyes, All I can see is her in her pasture looking more beautiful than ever before...

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A Fragrance for a Boy

by Calvin Klein

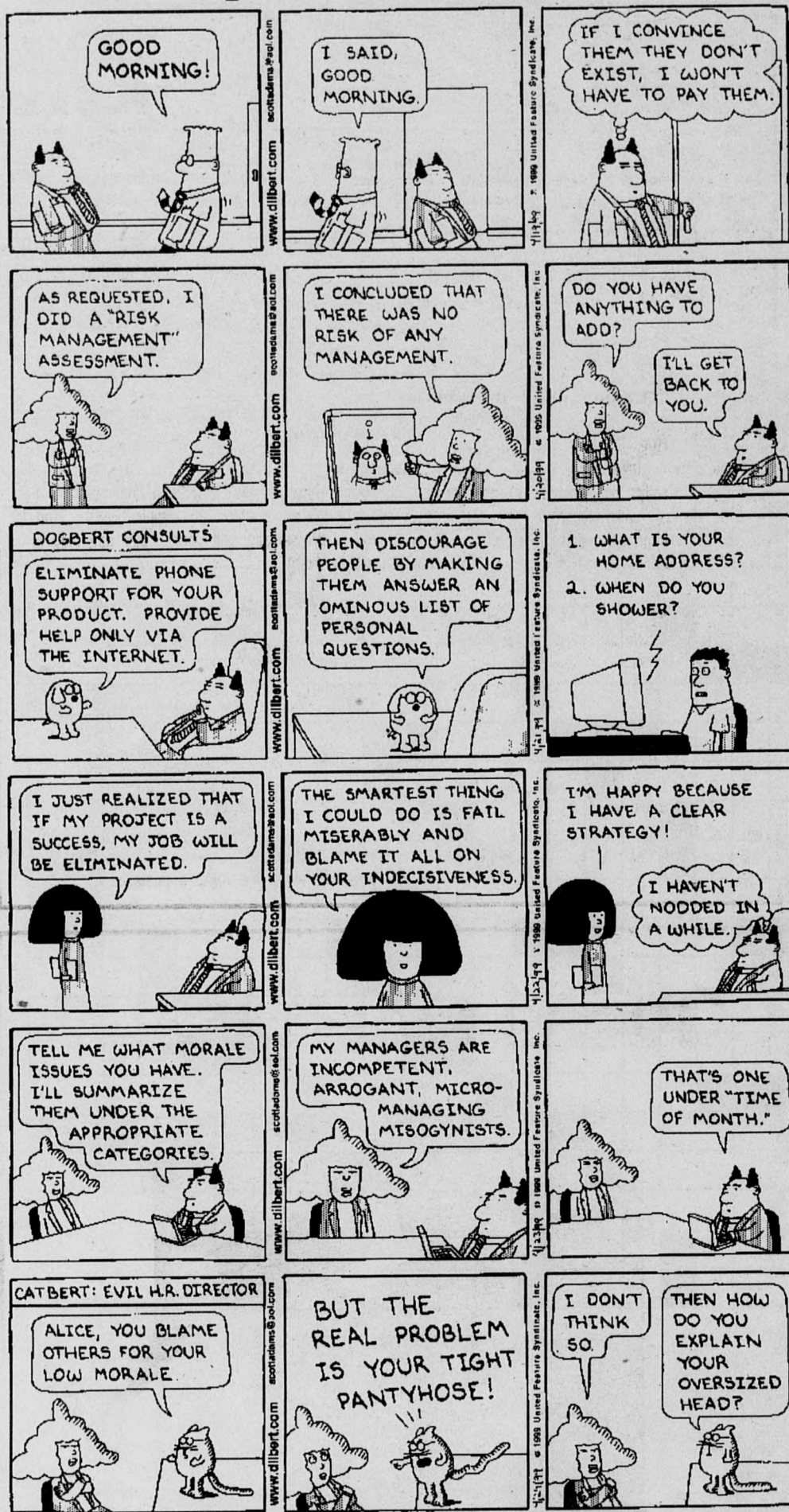
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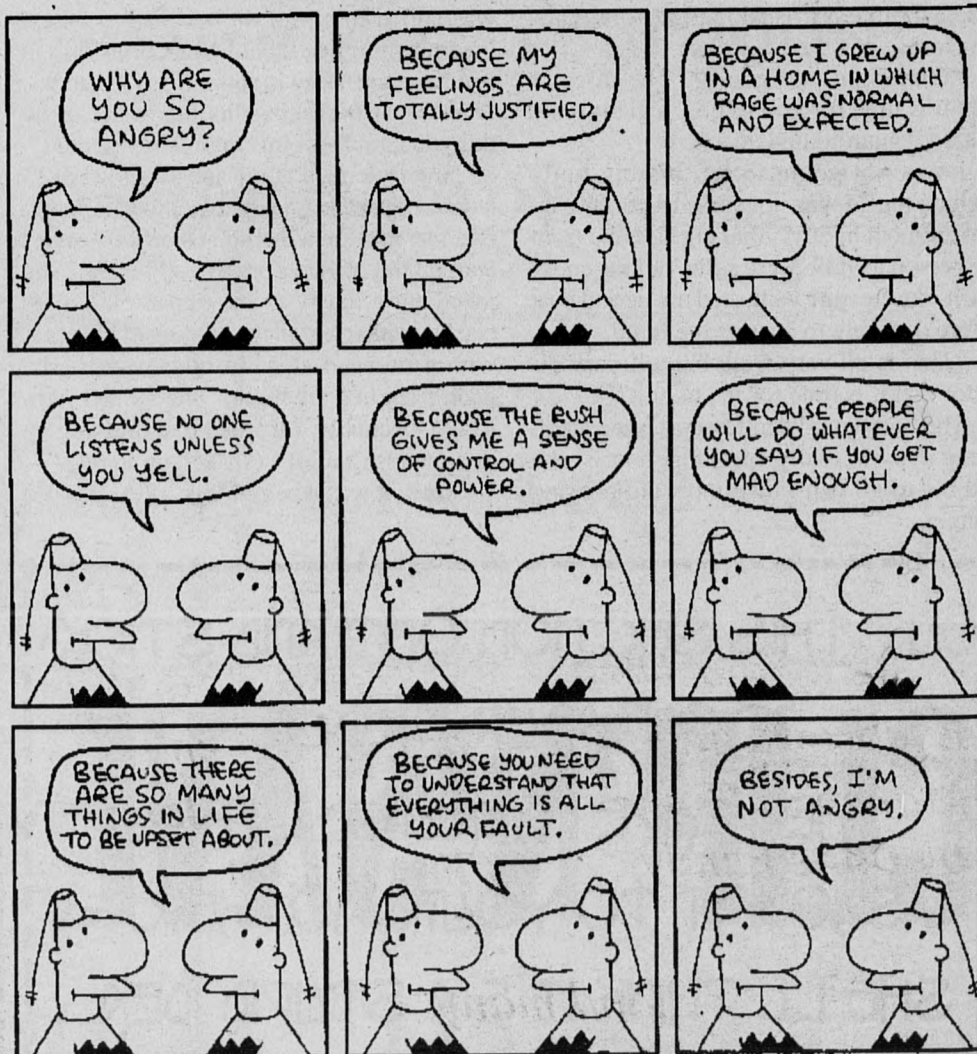
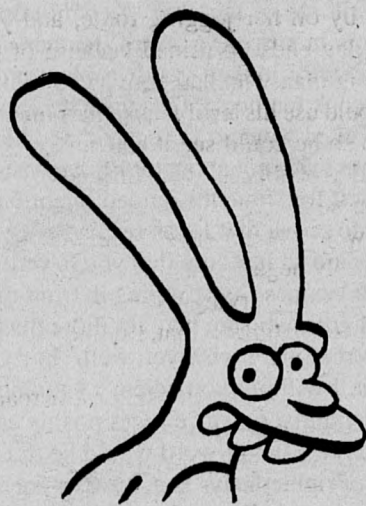
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# Occupations

By John Frusciante

And his trained bear, Bobo.

If there's one thing I can't stand, it's annoying people. Now, your definition of annoying may very well be different from my definition of annoying. If this is so, I find that quite annoying.

I am a writer. As a writer, I'd like to offer advice to anyone reading this who happens to be a writer: keep it a secret. If you don't, this will undoubtedly happen to you.

One day you will be sitting someplace quiet, trying to enjoy a book about the possibility that there may be someone who stands behind you at all times making obscene gestures at your back. Suddenly someone will approach you, most likely a male. This person, upon approach, will proceed to rip you from your peaceful enjoyment to extol upon you some startlingly disjointed series of words that in his mind band together to form a joke. The "joke" will, of course, end with a great burst of laughter on his end, meanwhile, you will do your best to push the muscles in your mouth into a smile. But it will, you realize, be as difficult as raising the Titanic.

"Hey, you could use that in your next story." Will be the next words out of the person's mouth.

Then he will walk away, leaving your peace of mind sufficiently disturbed. You will try to go back to your reading, but all you will see on the page before you is this man's words. They will dance along the pages of your book as if Bob Fosse had choreographed them, and they will ring back and forth through your head like a gong in the Grand Canyon. You'll end up throwing your book down, it will hit your own toes, causing you to curse out loud as a nun is passes by on her jogging route, and your whole day ends up ruined because of this annoying man who had convinced himself you would use his terrible joke in something you do so he could see it and say (to himself and probably all of his friends), "Hey, that's mine!"

Now you could say, "John, you're being awfully negative and unfair to this person who is only trying to be nice."

And if you did say that, I'd find you very annoying.

I believe it's only those in the creative

field that are subjected to these unsolicited contributions to their work. Never have I heard of a doctor who was at a party and was approached by a man claiming that he had removed a claw hammer from his wife's skull with a kettle of boiling water and an eyeglass case, and that maybe the doctor could try that next time he's in the O.R.

However, I can sympathize with doctors because they are forced to endure something just as excruciating as what the comedian endures. I know doctors who have completely avoided social functions because they know that if they attend they will only be subjected to, "Listen, doc, I have a pain in my elbow, could you take a quick look at it?"

Never has the occasion arisen when I have gone to a party and someone has said to me, "Listen, writer, I have a slight pain in my superego, could you tell a quick joke for me?"

So we've all got our problems. Maybe the best way to go about it is to not tell anybody what we do for a living. Some would suggest we lie about it, but I caution against doing that. I once told a woman at a party that I was a veterinarian, and ten minutes later, the woman brought me her horse.

I think the only way to avoid these problems is to allow people to exchange occupations for about one week every six months or so. This way people could see what it's like to be a doctor, or a writer, or a veterinarian, and certainly they would no longer want to have anything to do with anybody's job besides their own.

Next time that guy comes up to you on that park bench and interrupts your work with an ambitious yet flat-footed joke, calmly hand them your notebook and say, "Here, why don't you finish this."

At this point you may be thinking, "Now what you're suggesting about trading jobs would never work. I could think of ten reasons right now why the whole thing will go awry."

Well, if you were to say that, I'd find it very annoying. Here, why don't you finish this?

Editors' note: At my house, we haven't done the dishes in a week. It's disgusting. You should see it.

## The Horoscope Never Lies

**TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20): While getting "intimate" with your significant other, a clown kicks in your door. Circus music follows him, as do bells, whistles, and confetti. Just be glad he didn't bring his trained elephant with him.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to Jun. 21): With deadlines closing in fast, Gemini decides to blow off some steam. Go fishing! Just remember this- 3 parts dynamite, 1 part nitroglycerine, and a titanium blasting cap. Those fish don't stand a chance!

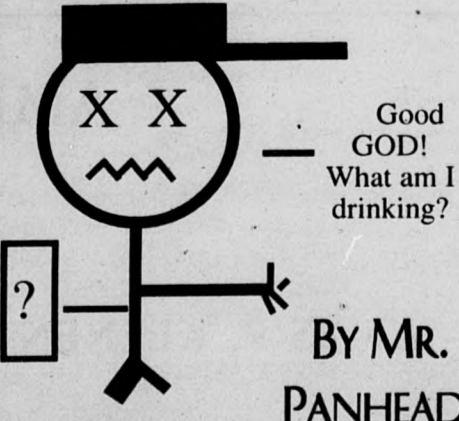
**CANCER** (Jun. 22 to Jul. 22): One late night this week, Cancer will be lonely. Rwww. To summon company, set off the fire alarm in Blanton Hall at 4 in the morning. Scores of cheery people will join you out on the lawn. Don't worry about disturbing their sleep. It's college. Nobody sleeps here, anyway.

**LEO** (Jul. 23 to Aug. 22): You spy wet concrete while out for a walk. Press your bare butt firmly into it and leave a lasting impression. The cleanup will be messy but the payoff is worth it. Generations from now, people will gaze in admiration at your superior posterior.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sep. 22): Think tattoos, Virgo. Think many tattoos. Think of a guy filling a rather large percent of your body with an ink that will only come out using one of the most excruciatingly painful methods known to man. Come on! Everyone's doing it! It's cool!

**LIBRA** (Sep. 23 to Oct. 22): Your week is unpredictable. Tomorrow could bring sunshine, rain, a typhoon, or it could just rain men. It's raining men! Hallelujah! It's raining men! Hey hey!

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21): Oh, Frenchie, won't you ever learn? This week, that European fool tries to beat you at Beerpong. You shut him out completely, sinking 10 consecutive shots to his 0. Choke him with his own flag.



**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21): Roses are red, Violets are blue, You say you don't book chickens, Our pictures say you do!

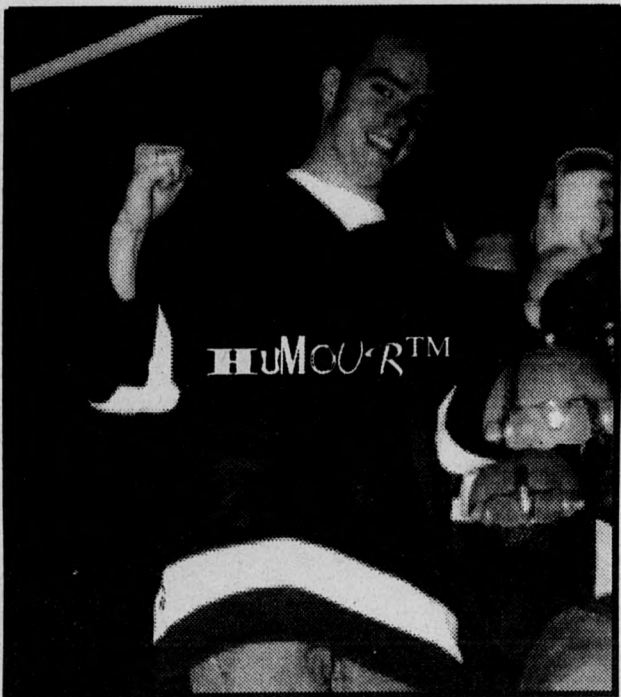
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19): Ed, "King of the Horse Laugh," McMahon informs you that "You may already be a winner!" Rush out and buy the biggest house you can find. When you discover that he is only kidding, hunt him down and shoot him point blank in the face.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18): Congratulations! You are no longer homeless. That means you won't have to wrestle that bag lady for your turf. Decorate your newfound home with lava lamps, Beanie Babies, and hippie beads. And let me in occasionally, will you? That bag lady is getting testy.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20): A large bald man explains the benefits of being generous with your belongings by using your skull as a bongo drum. He's only doing this because he CARES. Stop making him hurt the one he loves.

**ARIES** (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19): Aries is moving up in the world. Now, you have a magnificent office that you can decorate however you like. Because of your status, you are no longer told to "get in your cage and flog yourself" when you make a mistake.

## Guess what, MSU?



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## Making a difference through participation

By Jason Lampa

Sports Consultant

On Friday April 23, Professor Ben Schatfer's Leadership in Recreational Services class will be going on a field trip to the First Montclair House on Walnut Ave in Montclair, a retirement community in Montclair.

The students in the leadership class have been working the entire semester planning the event, willing to share their talents and energy with the occupants of the retirement home. Activities such as singing and friendly athletic competitions have been planned for Friday and the students are looking forward to the visit.

"The field trip gives us a great opportunity to give our services to the members of the Montclair community," said Pierre, the leader of the field trip. "I'm excited about the event and believe we are ready."

Professor Schatfer, who has been supervising the event from the start is pleased with the effort he has received from his students on the project and is confident that things will go well.

"They have worked hard throughout the semester to make sure Friday is a hit," said Schatfer. "The senior citizens are looking forward to the event for a while now. Things should go according to plan."

## Baseball

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Belson who has been criticized for his inconsistency and sometimes lacking of luster gave a flawless performance against the Rutgers Camden hitting squad.

It should be also noted that the Rutgers Camden pitching effort did make six errors and a total of thirteen walks. The Rutgers Camden pitching proved to be no match against the flawless and well balanced attack of Belson. Belson looked like an assassin out there, picking off guys like a combat general on the battlefield.

Rutgers Camden pitchers looked like wounded ducks in a manure pond. Whatever effort or skill they thought they had should be re-evaluated and placed in more stable situations like perhaps piano lessons.

These wins might be all that the Red Hawks need in order to start a winning streak into the post season. What the Red Hawks need to do to win in the post season is simple; forget about their record which doesn't reflect on their tremendously talented team and play like the teams which came before them.

I haven't covered MSU Baseball before this season but the one thing that the Red Hawks possessed in all those championship years and which is not far different from all championship teams is heart and selfless character.

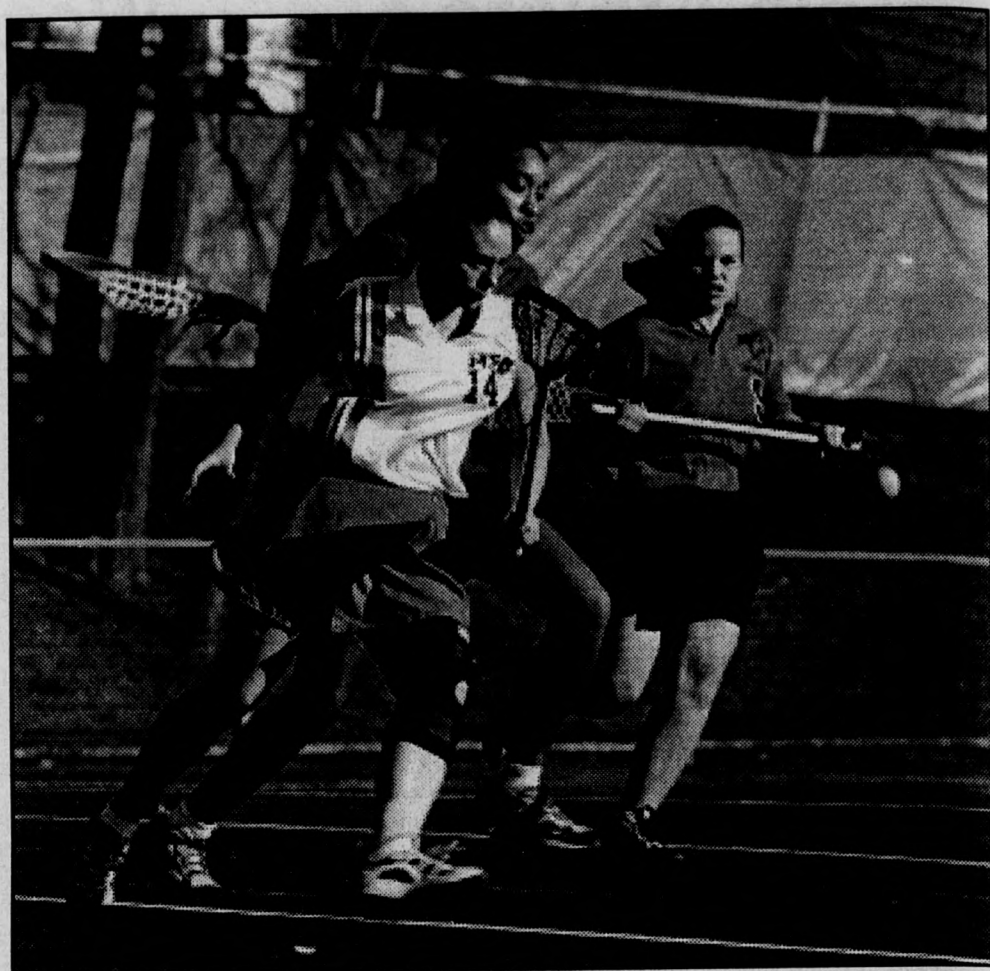
The Red Hawks always seem to try their best and they leave it out on the field. There are no egos on this team and they have started playing as a unit.

The post season is still an open ended question, there is a chance they will get in and there is a chance they won't. But the one thing which cannot be questioned is the desire of the Red Hawks to play and love the pure game of baseball and play it the way that it should be played with heart and character.

The project is worth 25 points for the students so they all know the importance of the field trip for themselves and to the senior citizens. The pressure is being felt throughout the class, but most students feel they are ready for the assignment.

"Learning to become an effective leader is the reason why we took this class," said Ellen Pearl. "I am excited and ready for the challenge at hand. Let's get it started."

The Leadership in Recreational Services class is just one of the many courses in the Leisure and Recreation Studies program at MSU. The degree gives students the opportunity to enter the fields of Commercial Recreation, Travel and Tourism, and Therapeutic Recreation at the supervisory level in management and marketing. Courses in budgeting, programming, and marketing give the students the tools to succeed in the business.



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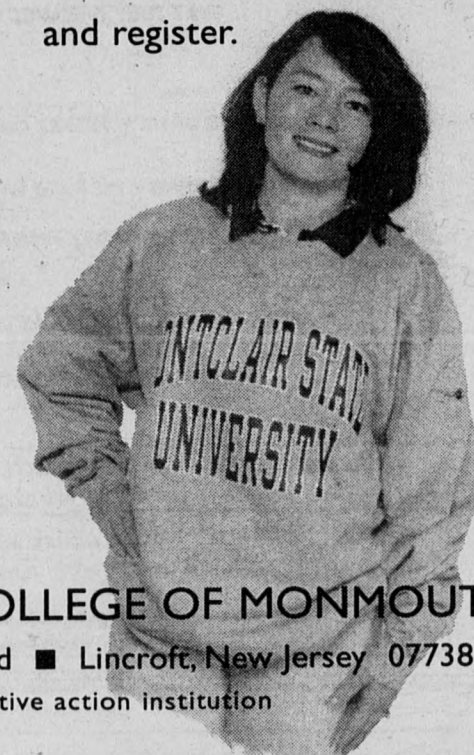


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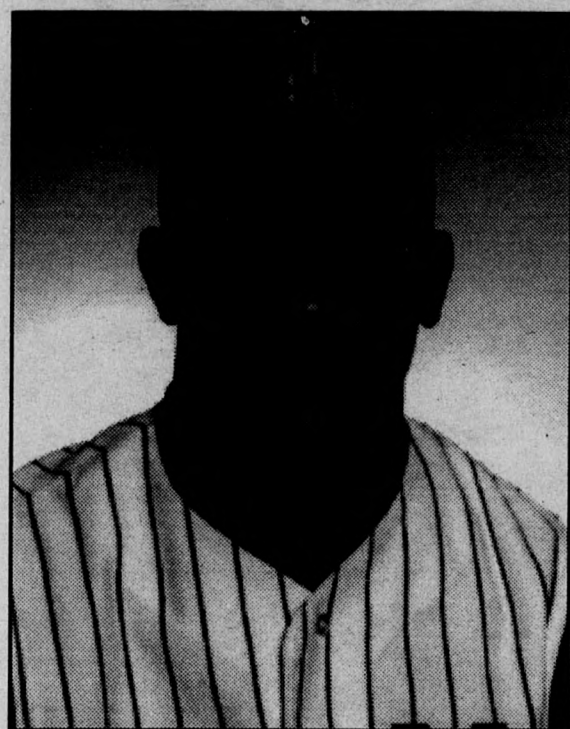
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# Male Athlete of the Week



**Greg Belson**

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Junior right hander Greg Belson pitched a shut-out game against Rutgers-Camden in a conference game played at Rutgers-Camden. In the victory, Belson pitched six innings with just four hits, striking out eight, and walking none.

# Female Athlete of the Week



**Jeanelle Husth**

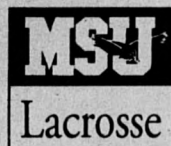
**Midfielder**

**Sophomore**

**5-7**

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Sophomore midfielder Jeanelle Husth scored three goals and had two assists to lead Montclair State in a victory over New Paltz, NY. The game was played this past Tuesday at New Paltz.

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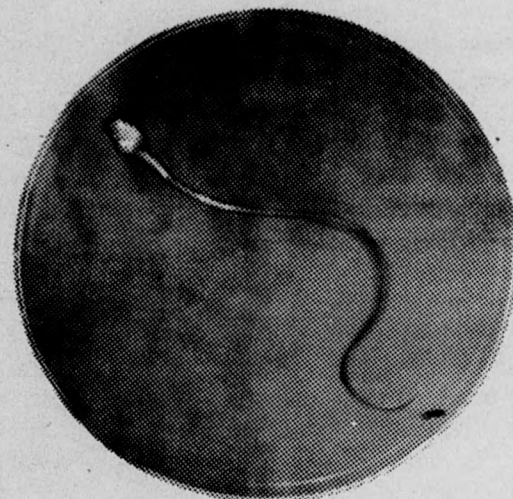
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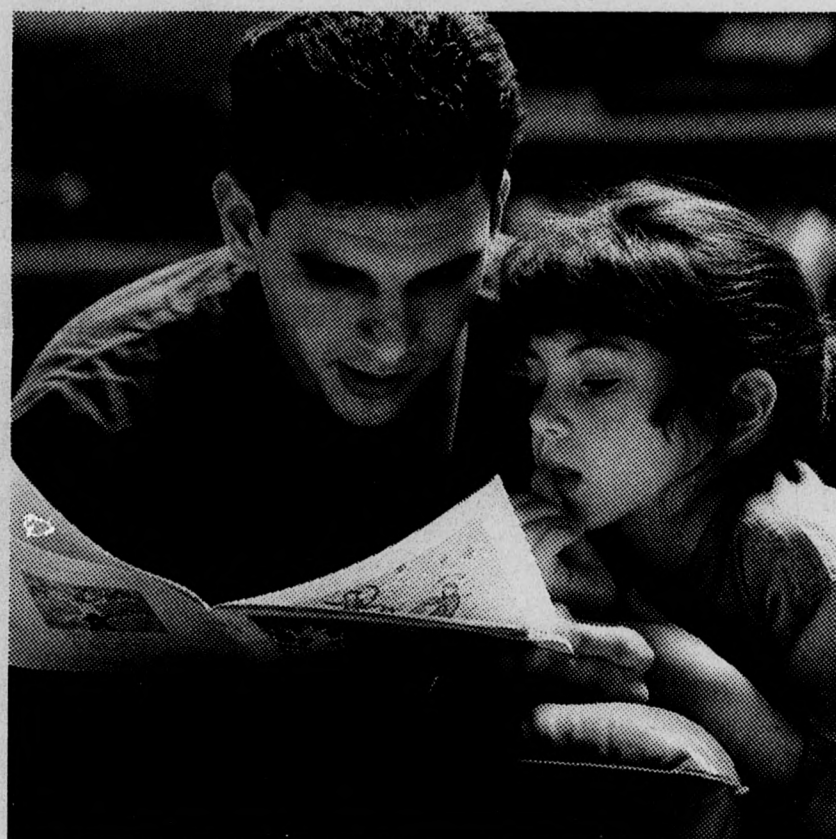
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# Kicking the ball as a team, not a player

By Pius K. Essandoh III

Staff Writer

Many athletes who come to Montclair State University came from schools where they were the "go to guy". But now, they have to adjust to not being seen in that role. This is very true of George Mendoza, who was one of the sensations of the soccer team this year. Mendoza is only a freshman, but by looking at him play, you wouldn't think so. He has been playing soccer since he was twelve years old, but one would never know. He is one of the many athletes on the soccer team who have to step up their game, since All-American player Marlon Pollard won't be there.

Mendoza is one of the people who can just come to college and humble themselves to better the team. Simply put by Mendoza, "There is no I in team." Even he himself didn't think that he would encounter the success that he did this year.

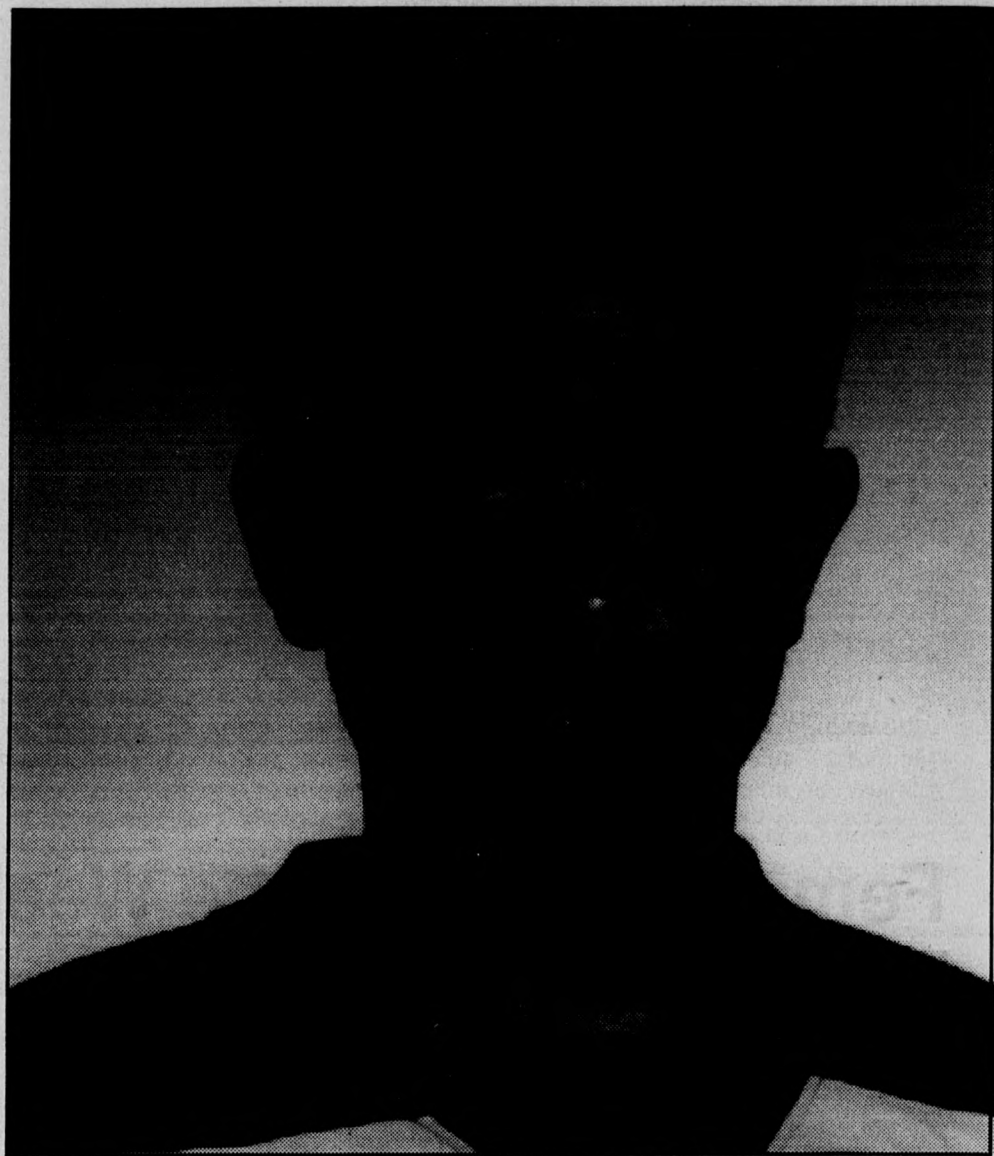
"Coming to the college level, I thought that I would basically adapt my first year, and in my later years have some success," said Mendoza. This is an athlete who comes in with the right idea of not trying to be the man, but wait for his time to shine by taking on his proper role.

Mendoza, along with his teammates, are engaged in spring soccer which is a pre-season type atmosphere in which the team tries to gain momentum. They also try to give the team some chemistry by getting used to the new players.

Mendoza is also what a coach looks for in an athlete. In that, he knows what his weaknesses are and what he can improve on. That is why he rates himself between a seven and a half to an eight on a ten-point scale, with room for improvement. He is also a coach's dream because he doesn't carry himself in a cocky manner.

If you kept up with the soccer team this year, you would know that Mendoza had a good year. He credits his success in being able to make the transition from high school to college, to Pollard. He views Pollard as a big brother, and a person who pushed him to the limits.

Mendoza is the real deal. He has incredible talent and athleticism. He gives 110% everytime on the field, and was able to humble himself and take on a role to help his team win. He and his teammates have shoes to fill next year, but with Mendoza and the core of good players coming back, the soccer team will prove to be entertaining next year.



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Men's and Women's Outdoor Track &amp; Field, Penn Relays @ Philadelphia

**Friday, April 23**

\*Baseball @ Kean University, 3:30 p.m.

**Saturday, April 24**

\*Baseball @ Richard Stockton (DH), 12 p.m.

Women's Lacrosse vs. Vassar, NY, 2 p.m.

Men's Tennis @ New Paltz, NY, 1 p.m.

**Monday, April 26**

Men's and Women's Track &amp; Field, CTC Championships

**Tuesday, April 27**

Softball vs. St. Thomas Aquinas (DH), 3 p.m.

**Wednesday, April 28**

Men's Lacrosse @ Neumann, NY, 4 p.m.

\* - NJAC matchup

BOLD - Home game

DH - Doubleheader

By Paul Lewiarz

Assistant Sports Editor

In an effort to broaden the Sport pages at The Montclarion, we will begin a series of articles chronicling great athletes right here at Montclair State University.

What are the criteria for a great athlete you might ask? First, he or she must participate in two sports or more sports. At least one of the sports must be played for Montclair State University and the others can be played or coached in the athletes own recreational time. The recreational sport can be a mainstream sport or any sport not normally found in a college athletic atmosphere. In any case, the athlete must demonstrate high proficiency at all of his/her respected sports.

Secondly, the athlete must possess an extremely high desire and proficiency to win. Thirdly, the athlete must be a role model to his/her other athletes and a pillar to the community. Yes, these athletes do exist right here at this school.

The first athlete which I came across fits these guidelines better than most. His name is Alexander Ogwu (freshman), age 19 and he is an outstanding multi-dimensional ath-

lete. In addition to running track for the MSU track team, Ogwu also is a first degree black belt in Karate. He is a multi-talented athlete with a desire to win at all costs. Here is his story.

Ogwu was born in Lagos, Nigeria. Like many other immigrants, he came to this country with great dreams and ambitions. Ogwu is living proof that America is the place to chase one's dreams. At an early age, Ogwu began practicing Karate and subsequently achieved the very high and prominent Black Belt status. But his true love came out when he became interested in Track.

"I'd say it started in about 1988, Seoul Games in Korea, I watched Carl Lewis and other athletes, especially Ben Johnson before he started using drugs and I said to myself, someday I want to win a gold medal. That became my goal from that moment on," said Ogwu. He also spoke about how Johnson disappointed him because of his steroid use and the place that drugs play in the athletic community.

"I feel that I would be much more happy if I won without any type of drug use. It would mean a lot more to me because that would mean that I would have had to work harder for it," said Ogwu. One of the reasons to Ogwu's great clarity and discipline can be accredited to his long and hard years of martial arts training which as he says developed in him his tremendous discipline which he later translated into running track for MSU.

"I started Karate in 1992. One of the primary reasons that I started practicing Karate was because of my brother's influence. It definitely developed in me a great sense of discipline."

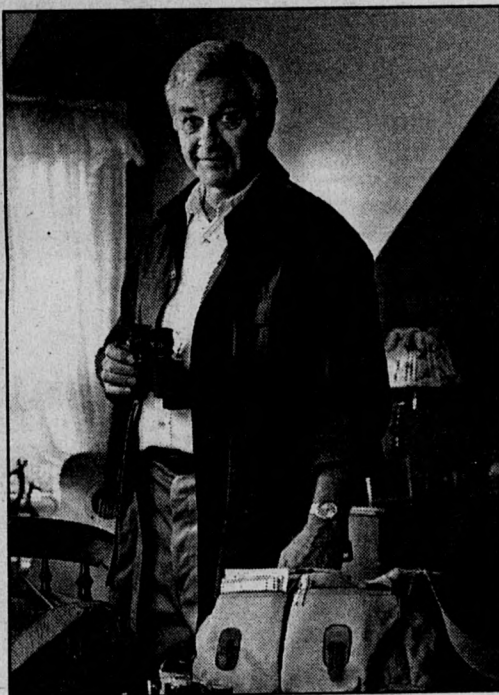
Ogwu's specialty in track centers around sprinting. "I love sprinting. It kind of gives me a rush. It's definitely my favorite discipline," said Ogwu. His desire doesn't end at the college level. He sees himself running on some professional level after college. "I always wanted to reach a professional level, become a very prolific athlete."

Not only is Ogwu an outstanding athlete, he is also a model to his friends and fellow athletes. He is also an outstanding member of his community. Unlike many other athletes, Ogwu looks on today's athletes as role models. "Donovan Bailey is definitely my number one idol. I absolutely love everything about him." Talking to Ogwu, you realize very quickly that he is a very smart and introspective young athlete who has a very bright and rewarding future in front of him. Only from talking with Ogwu, I could sense the tremendous amount of heart and desire that this man possesses.

Unfortunately, Ogwu is not active on the track team this semester because of an injury due to over training. But he is more than anxious to get out there and show his stuff. Next semester is only five months away and he cannot wait until it rolls around. In fact, Ogwu is already talking about the Olympics in 2004. Wow, what an athlete!

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## Offense, defense and a little bit of pitching prove too much for Rutgers-Camden

By Paul Lewiarz  
Assistant Sports Editor

The question all season has been whether or not the Red Hawks would be able to get the necessary chemistry from their very young team in order to be able to win? MSU has responded well over the last two games.

The two wins solidify the Red Hawks mark to 16-11 and 7-4 in the NJAC. It is a great accomplishment from a young team struggling to find an identity. With just a little over ten games left, the Red Hawks will have to stay on the ball and play some of their best ball in April and into May.

One constant variable for MSU has been the power hitting of Frank Francia. Francia scorched Camden with his flawless hitting. He had two hits with four at bat and two RBI's. Francia was not alone in his effort as Dave Wurst

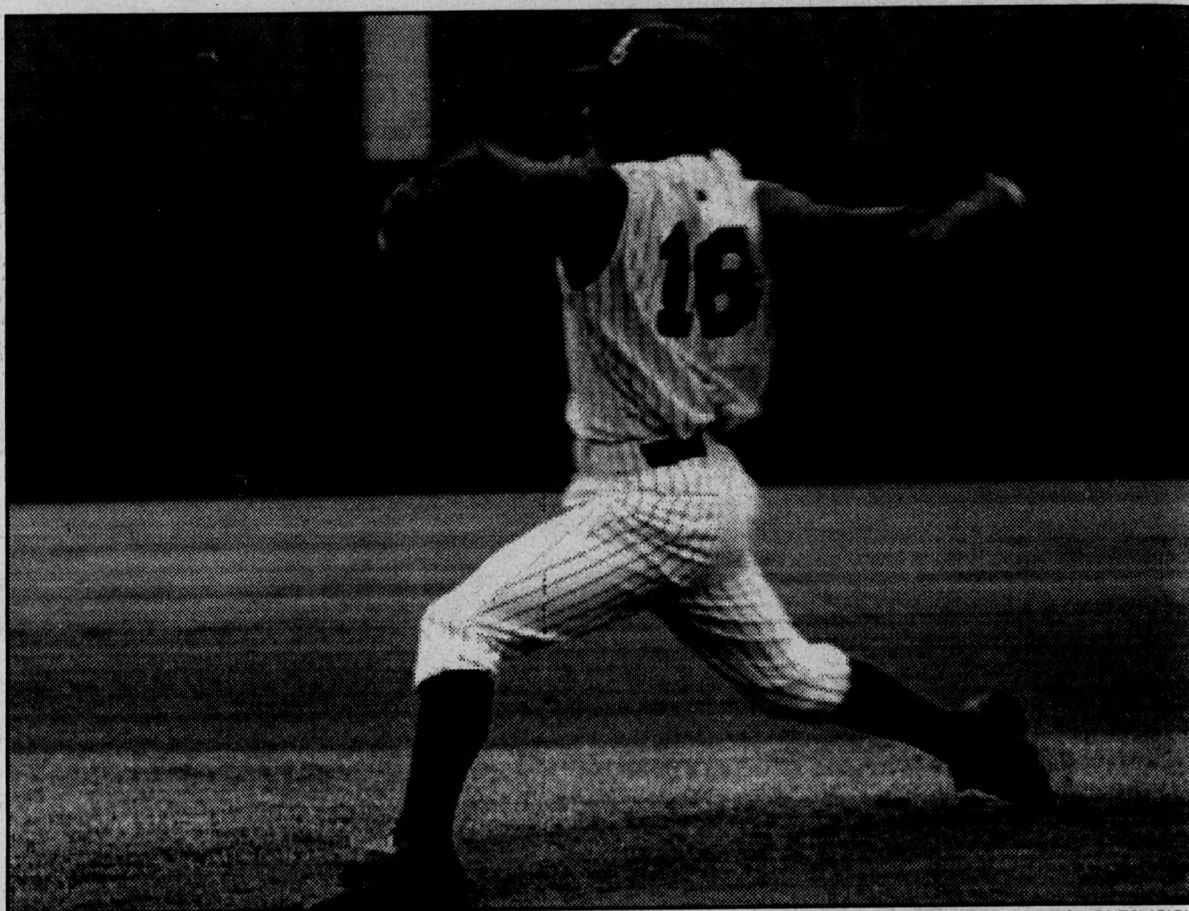
went 2 for three with two RBI's and two runs scored. The afternoon ended with the Red Hawks victorious over Rutgers Camden 10-2 in the double header.

MSU pitching has always been a strong variable over the years and as any baseball fan knows pitching as the offense and defense are all integral parts to a winning combination. Scott Allan, George Gallagher and Patrick Reed all combined for a consistent overall effort to give the Red Hawks the win.

The other notable contributors to the Red Hawks offensive attack were Craig Conway and Dan Wydner who provided the necessary spark off the bench which MSU so desperately needed.

The Red Hawks second game against Rutgers Camden also ended with MSU atop Rutgers Camden 3-0. The shutout proved to be one of pitcher's Greg Belson's best pitched games.

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Junior right hander Greg Belson (#18 - Staten Island, NY).

## MSU's winning streak ends at 15 with four straight losses

By Tess Sterling  
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Montclair State's University's women softball team ended their winning streak at 15 this past week, losing doubleheaders to both The College of New Jersey and Rowan University on Monday and Tuesday respectively. Despite the four straight losses, MSU still stands strong with a record of 28-7, NJAC 4-4.

The game against Rowan University was played at Rowan, with the Red Hawks losing the first game by the score of 2-1, and the second 7-6. In the first game for Montclair, centerfielder Toni Milito was 1-3 with an RBI, while teammate second-base person Tara Wisz went 1-3 with one scored.

In the second game for MSU, Milito was 1-4 with two runs batted in, first-base person Evelyn Morozzi was 1-4 with two RBI's, pitcher Kim Caruso went 2-3 with an RBI, catcher Jamie Lascik was 2-5 with one run scored, and right-fielder Alexandra Lamont was 1-3 with two runs scored. The losing pitcher was Susan McCarville,

ending the game with a record of 19-4.

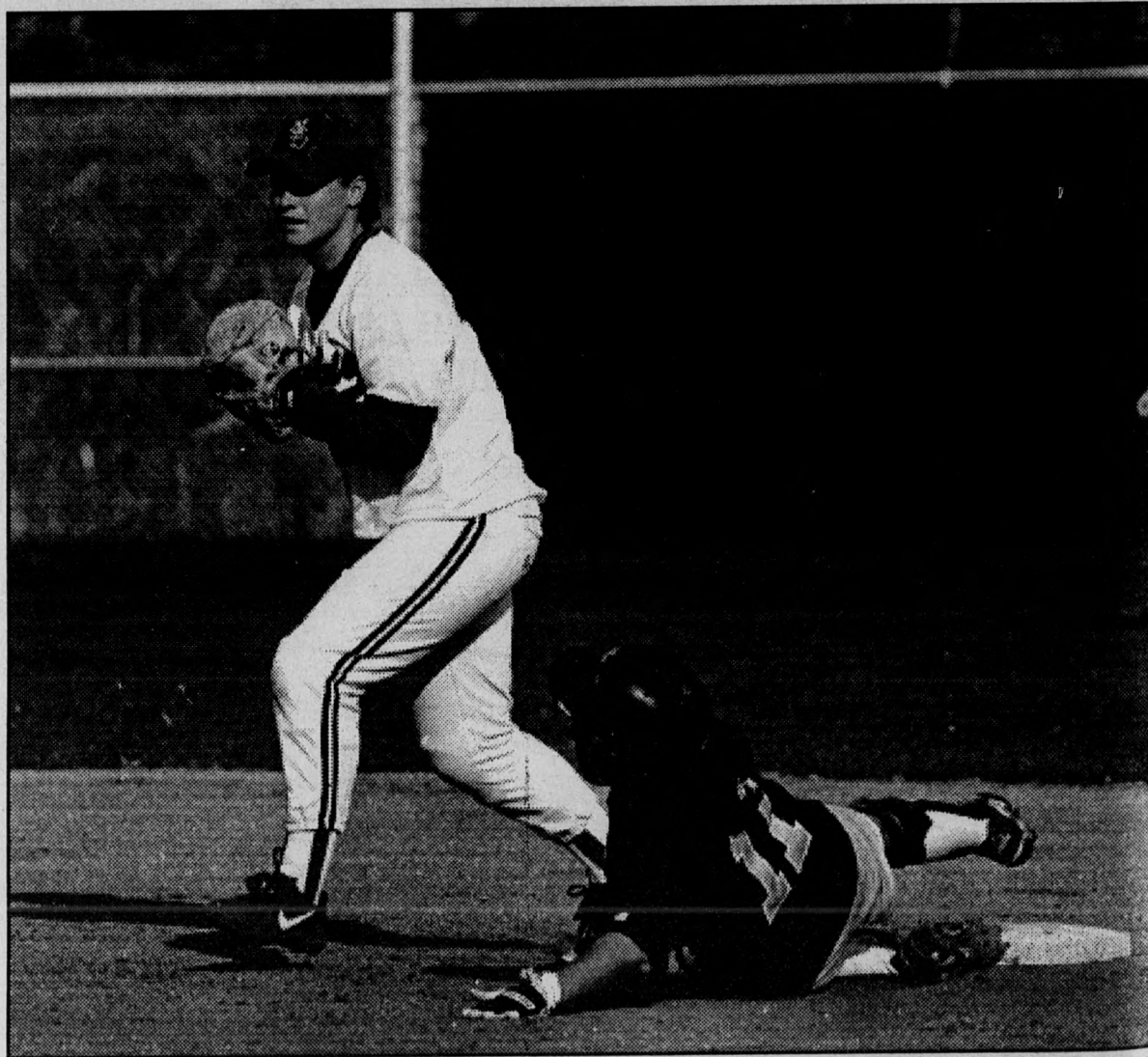
The College of New Jersey proved to be a very powerful force against the Red Hawks as they defeated them 5-4, and 2-0 in a conference doubleheader played at MSU's Quarry Field on Monday evening.

In the first game, the Lions scored first and added four more runs with two out. These runs were scored as a result of an error. MSU did retaliate in the fifth inning, scoring two runs as Wisz and Lascik both had RBI singles, making the lead 5-2.

The Hawks scored again in the sixth inning, making it 5-3 when Morozzi hit a sacrifice fly.

Montclair's final hope came in the seventh inning with runners on first and second, with one out. However, Caruso smacked a line drive which was smothered by shortstop Kristen Coyne, who recorded the double play to end the game.

Montclair State women's softball team will return to action today playing away at Caldwell College at 3:30 p.m., in a non-conference doubleheader.



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Shortstop Lisa Czarnecki (#22 - Piscataway)

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